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Once 'shambolic' council the UK's fastest-improving

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SWEEPING reforms and drastic cuts to services which caused uproar in the town appeared to be vindicated this week when Harlow Council was named the fastest-improving local authority in the country.

The spectacular turnaround was confirmed in a report published by the Government's Audit Commission on Tuesday.

Just three years ago, inspectors were appalled by the council's poor leadership, financial mismanagement and declining services, slapping it with the lowest possible rating of 'poor'.

But after being called back for a re-evaluation, they have decided to reclassify the authority as "good".

The progress represents a step up of three ratings, unprecedented in such a short time and praised as a "radical improvement".

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BONFIRE Night and the annual Town Park fireworks display was another blazing success in Harlow this year.

Pictured joining in the fun are, *left to right*, Callum Farrow (10), Harry Patterson (10), Daraa Farrow (8) and Tegan Farrow (3).

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Council rated now as 'good' by inspectors

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Council chiefs called a press conference to announce the result and heralded it as proof their hard work and tough decisions have paid off. However, amid the jubilation chief executive Malcolm Morley and joint council leaders Tony Durcan (Labour) and Chris Millington (Liberal Democrat) accepted the report's recommendations to make further improvements, such as better target-setting.

They added they would now consolidate the findings and hope to achieve the top rating of "excellent" next time.

The joint leaders credited their predecessors Kevin Brooks (Lab) and Lorna Spenceley (Lib Dem) for beginning the process of change – moves which included a huge £2m worth of budget cuts necessitating the closure of leisure and community centres.

The pair said they did not regret the way swift action was taken because many services previously run by the council were now back in operation in the hands of the private or voluntary sector.

"The culture of this organisation has changed," said Mr Durcan. "We've got rid of the 'them and us' attitude between councillors and officers.

"We are now honest with each other in understanding what we can do and what needs improving, but also recognising what we can't do."

Mr Morley added: "The key thing is we don't regard Harlow as an island anymore. We recognise that we are just one part of moving Harlow forward and many other partners have to play a part too."

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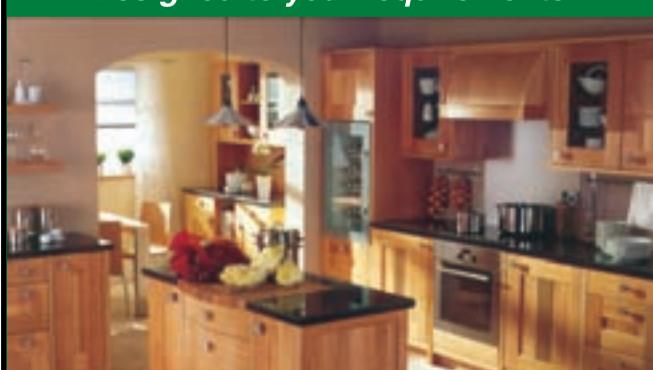
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Widower's grief as his floral tributes are removed



A DISTRAUGHT Harlow widower has slated council workers for removing fresh flowers from his wife's memorial.

Terence Rix (73), of Felmongers, lost his wife Doreen (73) to a heart attack in August of last year and her ashes were interred at Harlow Council's Parndon Wood Crematorium.

Together with his daughter and two granddaughters, he regularly visits the spot to leave flowers.

But on each occasion he has been upset to find staff at the cemetery removed the tributes almost immediately.

When he confronted them, he was incorrectly told that council policy states no flowers can be left.

"I left a rosebush there and just a few days later it had been removed," said Mr Rix. "If I'd have known they were going to be doing this kind of

ridiculous thing, I would never have chosen that place for her.

"It's a place we need to go to remember her and if we choose to do it a certain way then we should be allowed to."

A council spokeswoman said floral tributes were allowed to be left and added the authority would ensure all crematorium workers are aware of the policy.

"Relatives are welcome to put fresh floral tributes in the gardens but they will be removed once they are past their best so that the area is tidy," she said.

"We think that relatives would want to see the area well cared for and maintained and not everyone is able to visit to remove tributes so our staff will do this."

Pictured, left, is Mr Rix with a photograph of his late wife. (photo: N2QHNZ4F/06)

Sick tenant stranded in tower block

A CHRONICALLY ill man has become marooned in a Harlow tower block by a broken lift.

Harlow Council tenant David Costello (54), who lives on the sixth floor of Pennymead Tower, suffers

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from the debilitating lung condition cryptogenic fibrosing alveolitis.

He has had the condition for 10 years and has coped getting to his apartment by driving his motorised scooter into the elevator, despite there being no disability ramps. But he has been housebound and effectively stranded since the lift broke down two weeks ago.

Now his brother George (56), of Ayletts Field, Harlow, who recently underwent a quadruple heart bypass, said he is finding it difficult to care for David and wants the council to speed up repair work.

"The council has told us it's difficult for them to find the right equipment to mend the lift," he said. "It's not their fault, but I want to appeal to them to

help my brother's housing situation.

"What would happen to my brother if there was a fire in the tower block? He wouldn't be able to use the lift – even if it was working, you are not allowed to use one during a fire anyway – and he certainly wouldn't be able to use the staircase. He's completely housebound."

Although largely complimentary of the council – which said it would pay for Mr Costello's utilities until the lift is fixed – Mr Costello said the situation could have already been resolved had council officers not lost his brother's application to move home a year ago.

"We just want as much help as possible and we are running out of options," he added.

A council spokesman said: "We have been supporting this particular tenant, who is still living in his property. An officer has been doing his shopping and paying his bills on his behalf and popping in to see him on regular occasions.

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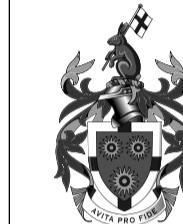
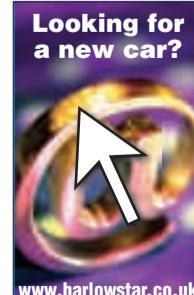
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Awards honour community champions

COMMUNITY stalwarts who have played a key role in making Harlow a safer place have been honoured at an awards ceremony. Lynn Seward, Harlow Council's head of community services, presented the awards at the Civic Centre in the Water Gardens on Thursday.

Bob Day and Mike Duckmanton received awards in recognition of their individual commitment to making people feel safer while the award for the best project to tackle crime went to Albert Hobdell. Debbie Dobran was honoured for her support of victims of crime, Fawbert and Barnard School in Old Harlow received the education award and the Independent Advisory Group Harlow won the best project to improve the environment.

"Various projects in Harlow to tackle crime and disorder have been achieved, not just by the council or its partners but also by local people and smaller organisations taking the lead," said Mrs Seward.

"Those individuals and organisations that have gone out their way to make Harlow a safer place deserve the recognition these awards bring."

"Whether it's for taking a stand in the community or setting up a project, all award winners are great role models for the town."



WINNERS: Pictured at the presentation ceremony are Lynn Seward, Fawbert and Barnard School headteacher Pav Saunders with pupils Charlie Todd (9) and Eden Coetzer (9), Mike Duckmanton, Bob Day, Albert Hobdell, Neela Hibbert, Superintendent Steve Graysmark and Debbie Dobran

(photo: SFXBW4ZB/01)

Newspaper's parking perk

A COLLECTION from motorists using the Harlow College car park on a Saturday raised £400 in aid of Harlow's Talking Newspaper charity.

The money will go towards the replacement of worn-out tape machines and enable the visually-impaired to listen to recordings of local news reports read from the *Star* by volunteers.

Vice-chairwoman Jenny Lushington said: "We rely totally on donations for our funding but to keep running we also rely on the regular volunteers who take turns to give up a couple of hours each week throughout the year to put together our news tapes.

"I would like to say a big thank you to all the people who give their time so willingly, whether as readers, editors, post team or knob-twiddlers on the recording and copying machines, as well as the library staff who make us welcome."

Cockney fun

WOULD you Adam and Eve it! Tickets are now on sale for a Cockney Night in aid of Hastingwood's St Clare Hospice.

The evening of fun will feature Chas and Dave tribute act Gertcha, a pie and mash supper and an *Only Fools And Horses* quiz, and takes place on November 30. Tickets costs £15.

For more details, call (01279) 773750.

Women's quiz

A QUIZ and raffle in aid of Harlow Women's Network takes place at the Latton Bush Centre, Southern Way, on November 30.

Tickets are £5 per head for teams of up to eight. Call Pauline Bruce on (01279) 300585.

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A GROUP dedicated to raising public awareness of a common lung condition is hoping to spread the word by running information stalls at local hospitals next week.

Breathe Easy Harlow and Epping Forest, a local organisation affiliated to the British Lung Foundation, will be providing information and advice about chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder (COPD) at St Margaret's Hospital, Epping, on Tuesday and Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow, on Wednesday.

The publicity drive coincides with World COPD Day, an initiative designed to highlight the fact that each year the condition kills more men than prostate cancer and more women than breast cancer. It also claims more lives every year than colon cancer.

Group chairman Dennis Ramshaw said work was particularly crucial locally as surveys show that just four per cent of people in the East Anglia region have heard of the disease, the lowest level of awareness anywhere in the UK.

Breathe Easy is also backing a British Lung Foundation campaign for anyone over 35 who has breathing problems or has been a smoker to be offered a test to measure the air capacity of their lungs by their GP.

Although COPD is progressive and irreversible, the symptoms can be treated and slowed if diagnosed early.

"We know about the impact COPD has on people's lives," said Mr Ramshaw. "We want everyone who thinks they may have symptoms of COPD or are concerned about their lung health to go to their GP to ask for a spirometry test."

"There are nearly three million people out there who might have the disease and we want to catch them early enough so they can be treated."

Legion ladies in party mood



THE ladies of Harlow Royal British Legion's women's section celebrated the 50th anniversary of the branch with a get-together at St Andrew's Church in The Stow.

They invited guests from the military and speakers from local clubs,

charities and organisations to attend the special event. Among those present was Harlow Council chairman Lorna Spenceley.

Secretary Elsie Penney said: "We had a wonderful party to celebrate the 50 years we've been operating in Harlow.

It was lovely to see some old faces and make new friends.

"A lovely bunch of flowers was presented to our leader, Margaret Coleman, who has been a fantastic president over the years. We couldn't manage to keep going without her."

Trick or treat scare as yobs attack house

HALLOWEEN turned into a real fright for three teenagers when a gang of trick-or-treaters hurled bricks through the windows of a family home. A 15-year-old was with two friends at his parents' house in Foldcroft, Harlow, last Wednesday when two bricks were thrown through the windows.

The teenagers believe they came under attack after they ignored a knock on the front door by a group of four trick-or-treaters.

When they went outside to confront the group, they were met with aggression and they allege a knife was pulled during the altercation.

One of the scared youngsters called police and four officers went to the address.

The father of the boy, who wishes to remain anonymous for fear of reprisals, said: "I couldn't believe it when I came and found four policemen in my home."

"This trick-or-treating is getting out of hand and teenagers are using it as an excuse to cause trouble. It just doesn't work in places like Harlow; it's an American thing for people who know their neighbours, not for intimidating strangers."

"They didn't know who was in the house so it could easily have been an elderly person in on their own; they hadn't even bothered to dress up, except one of them was wearing a mask."

Police confirmed they had attended the incident but had no record of a knife being involved.

Helicopter help for school raid

POLICE were called when youths were seen trying to break into a special needs school.

Officers attended Harlow Fields School, in Tendring Road, Harlow, after reports at 8.50pm on Tuesday.

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Walk-in centre's threat by stealth

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THE NHS walk-in centre in Harlow is being closed by stealth, joint council leader Tony Durcan has warned.

In a surprising outburst, he claimed the popular and pioneering clinic in Wych Elm is facing "death by a thousand cuts" under West Essex Primary Care Trust's plans to integrate it with the A&E department at Princess Alexandra Hospital.

And he warned the change could take up to four years if given the go-ahead, with services suffering in the meantime.

Mr Durcan, who heads Harlow Council's Labour group and is a nurse by trade, said on Monday: "I don't have a fundamental problem with the idea of moving the walk-in centre and the A&E closer together but to do it at the PAH they will have to redesign the whole department and the frontage of the hospital. I don't logically see that's viable."

"Even if it can be done, my understanding is that, in the meantime, everyone will have to go down to the A&E where they will be assessed by a GP - who, incidentally, will be paid £120,000 a year to act as a gate-keeper - and then potentially redirected back to the walk-in centre."

"What it will be is a walk-in centre without the 'walk-in' bit. You'll only be able to go if you're referred there."

Mr Durcan also complained the public consultation had been "ridiculous", adding: "I went to one of the meetings and there were four people there."

A spokeswoman for West Essex PCT said an additional consultation meeting about the centre's future had been arranged for December 3 at 7pm, at the Latton Bush Centre, in Southern Way.

She also said that if plans to integrate it with A&E get the go-ahead, the walk-in centre would remain open while the necessary work is carried out.

She added that the PCT was considering having a single point of contact in the interim period which would see patients referred to the centre from A&E, but stressed no decision has yet made made.



TREE-RIFIC! Pictured with a festive arrangement are, left to right, Jenny Thomas, Brenda Cook, Jean Crane and Pauline Reed (photo: GYJHTSPC/03)

Club's festive headstart

IT might be blooming early for Christmas but members of Harlow Flower Club wasted no time in planting a festive spirit when they staged their annual seasonal

demonstration at The Playhouse. The event on Tuesday took the theme of *Time To Rejoice* and featured advice from nationally famed arranger Jean Crane.

Plan to ban leaflets in Harlow is raised again

A BAN on distributing leaflets in Harlow town centre could be back on the agenda just one year after the idea was thrown out for sparking a political storm.

Councillors voted against the restriction last year after its initial suggestion in October 2006 caused outrage among various pressure groups and politicians in the town.

At the time, MP Bill Rammell said the idea was "barking mad", his Conservative rival Robert Halfon said it was "absurd and dangerous" and former MP Stan Newens said it was an attack on "a vital part of democracy".

High profile solicitor Tony Bennett, who has campaigned as a metric martyr and on behalf of the family of Stuart Lubbock, also weighed in to brand the proposal as "worthy of the most repressive totalitarian regime", while Harlow Civic Society stalwart Ron Bill vowed to challenge any restriction in the European Court of Human Rights.

But now the move, which would prevent anyone handing out flyers anywhere in The High unless given specific permission by the council, is on the table once more after members of the council's environment and community committee heard they would be asked to consider the idea again.

Chairwoman Eleanor Macy told Tuesday's meeting: "I've asked (the officers) to think carefully about the way it is presented this time and then come back to the committee with something."

If the new plan follows last year's model, there would be exceptions for churches, charities and certain "political purposes", but it would be up to a council officer to decide which causes are sufficiently legitimate to get a licence.

Mr Rammell told the *Star* this week he still disliked idea, adding: "Freedom to distribute literature is the essence of a free society and I will certainly be talking to the council to ensure that this legitimate activity is not stopped."

Smoking ban's a big success, says Rammell

THE law banning smoking in public places has been hailed as a great success by Harlow MP Bill Rammell, even though he had reservations about the policy before it was brought in. Back in 2004, Mr Rammell questioned an outright ban and described himself as "genuinely sceptical" about a policy which had the potential to impose too much control on people's lives.

But the MP, who later changed his mind and voted for the ban, said this week that the improvements were "there for all to see" since smokers were prevented from lighting up in pubs, clubs, restaurants and workplaces three months ago.

Speaking as new Government figures showed a 98.5 per cent compliance rate and indicated 79 per cent of people believe the ban has improved public health, Mr Rammell said he was pleased to have backed the ban. "A survey which I conducted of my constituents at the time showed conclusive support for a full ban and I believe this survey shows that my constituents were correct," he said. "The ban has been introduced with no problems, and the health benefits and improvement in terms of the atmosphere of previously smoky pubs are there for all to see."

Thieves hit pub

CASH was stolen when a pub was raided for the second time in a month.

Thieves broke into the Plume of Feathers in Gilston on Sunday night and took an undisclosed amount of money. The burglary follows a robbery at the premises last month.



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Fire in the sky!

THOUSANDS enjoyed a dazzling display of fireworks during another explosive Bonfire Night celebration in Harlow Town Park on Monday.

The free event kicked off with a Ten-17 FM stage show featuring live music and dancing from Harlow's Hip-Hop Pop dance crew before council chairwoman Lorna Spenceley lit the bonfire.

Residents shrugged off the chill breezes to be delighted by a magnificent fireworks display before indulging in the delights of a visiting funfair.

"This year's bonfire and fireworks display was another successful and well-organised event to celebrate the town's 60th anniversary," said Mrs Spenceley. "As ever, it drew a great crowd and everybody seemed to be enjoying themselves immensely."

"We also had a great response to our fundraising for the Harlow Stroke Support Group, who will be benefiting from £650 worth of donations from the night alone."



REMEMBER, REMEMBER: Pictured, clockwise from above, are Lorna Spenceley lighting the bonfire (photo: CW9RGM/08); excited spectators (photo: CW9RGM/13); brothers Louis (8) and Daniel (6) Swinford playing with their light swords (photo: CW9RGM/04); a dazzling array of pyrotechnics (photo: CW9RGM/17)



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Pair ransack OAP's home in fake visit

POLICE have issued an alert after bogus callers ransacked the home of a frail 80-year-old man. The victim was at his home in Hornbeams, Harlow, when he opened the door to two men who claimed they were searching for a mains tap to stop a flood in the flat below.

Once inside, one of the callers kept the pensioner talking while the other searched through his home.

The pair made off with a small amount of cash. The raid comes after two elderly women were duped by bogus callers at addresses in Gibb Croft and Spencers Croft last month.

The latest attack has spurred renewed calls for elderly residents to refuse callers entry to their homes unless they have an appointment or know who they are.

Harlow crime reduction officer Graham Anthony said: "Bogus callers, in my view, are despicable. This incident left the victim very upset. Although the victim was unhurt, this incident illustrates how callous some criminals can be towards elderly people." The raid occurred at about 1pm on Friday. Efforts are now being made by officers to find the culprits.

Mr Anthony added: "We would urge the elderly and vulnerable not to open the door to anybody unless they have an appointment and to use the door chain so people can't walk in without being invited."

Anyone with information should call Harlow police on (01279) 641212 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Centre reopens after callous arson attack



WE'RE BACK! Pictured, left to right, are Lillian Clarke, Vera Deal, Lillian Boone, Rob Bennett, Ron Sydes, Zulqar Cheema, Sarah Dangerfield and Lee Dangerfield (photo: GMZTXSTK/05)

DEFIANT residents of a Harlow estate stuck two fingers up at vandals this week by celebrating the re-opening of their community centre after it was gutted by arsonists.

The revamped neighbourhood office at 65 Berecroft was unveiled following a devastating blaze in March which caused more than £20,000 damage.

The fire left a number of residents' and community groups, as well as the Berecroft Residents Association's popular children's art and craft club The Messy Workshop, with nowhere to meet and having to make alternative arrangements.

But following renovation work, the office is now open again with all the old activities and more back up and running.

The repair work was organised by housing association South Anglia, which owns 300 homes on the estate. To celebrate the occasion, bosses gave a £200 donation to the Messy Workshop, which was accepted by organisers Tracy Worsley and Sarah Dangerfield of the Berecroft Residents Association.

Lorraine Murphy, South Anglia's neighbourhood officer for the estate, said: "We are delighted to be back in our office. It is an invaluable

By **BEN WILKINSON**
Chief Reporter
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able community resource and we have really missed not being able to meet with our residents face-to-face.

"After the fire, we were left without a permanent home on the estate but now we are back up and running we will be organising a whole host of events and meetings with residents including our fortnightly community surgeries where people can come along and speak to other organisations like the police and local council."

Staple Tye councillor and Berecroft resident Lee Dangerfield (Conservative) said people were greatly relieved to have the facility back.

"It's been a long-time coming and there have been problems along the way but we're there now and the place is open again," he said.

"When you've got something like that on your doorstep you can sometimes take it for granted but when you lose it you realise just how important it is. I think every community should have a centre like it."

Essex Police confirmed a man was arrested following the fire but subsequently released without charge.

Detectives remain keen to hear from anyone with information about the arson attack.

Kids' speeding day

SCHOOL CHILDREN helped police snare speeding drivers when they took part in an awareness day.

Pupils from Harlow's Katherine's Primary School joined neighbourhood policing officer PC David Kealy with his police speed gun to pinpoint motorists speeding past their school.

"They especially enjoyed operating the speed gun. We hope drivers slow down in future and consider the consequences of speeding."

Headteacher Suzanne Ryan said: "Our children's safety is of paramount importance. The children enjoyed their time with PC Kealy and the PCSOs.

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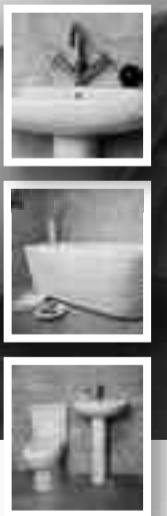
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ALL together now, a big "well done" for Harlow Council. Yes, we all complain about its inflexibility, its sometimes bizarre decisions and curious allocation of funds (remember the £80,000 logo?), but we should nevertheless recognise the massive achievement of its turnaround.

It is perhaps telling, though, that within a day of the announcement of its "good" rating, it went and undid the positive glow by trying to sneak back in the policy which provoked what was probably the biggest public backlash of 2006.

If it were not obvious from the outset why insisting people who want to hand out leaflets should have the council's special permission, then the many and strongly put arguments of a year ago surely made the case.

Apparently not. The officers, it seems, have been asked to give this ridiculous idea another spin. The exemptions for leaflets with a religious or political purpose will no doubt be pointed out, but where does one draw the line? Will the council be happy to allow far-right or far-left groups to hand out literature? Or Islamic fundamentalists? If they do, they will be seen as sanctioning them and if they don't they will be oppressing free speech.

This entire idea is bad news: the council should forget it and employ a couple more street sweepers instead.

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Time to resign?

SIR, The recent coverage in the *Star* regarding the situation at the college (November 1) was excellently and fairly presented. However, the report failed to pick up on one of the most telling statements in the Ofsted report, namely that governors are "insufficiently clear on how they will monitor appropriately the effect of recent changes and the impact on the quality of teaching and learning". Perhaps, given the way the principal and chairman of the governors have handled the situation, we should not be surprised.

But given the enormous changes that have been foisted on the college, its staff and students,

shouldn't we at least have been able to expect that governors would have had in place a strategy and mechanism for monitoring the effects of the changes they had endorsed? Given that they have failed in this regard, perhaps they will now do the decent thing and resign. Failing that, the college will continue to be managed by people who have so far displayed a level of managerial competence way below the "excellence" to which they and the college reportedly aspire.

A.W. Edwards
Felmongers, Harlow

Last of a kind

SIR, Your report "Pharmacist's farewell to The Stow" (November

1) could have been sub-headed "The last real shopkeeper to go". Mr Patel, together with his wife and caring staff, dispensed more than prescriptions in The Stow Chemist; they dispensed good old-fashioned customer consciousness. They demonstrated an awareness of the golden rule of shopkeeping – know your product.

The staff would help physically handicapped customers into the shop or serve the chair-bound on the forecourt. Chairs were provided for customers' use while waiting for their prescriptions to be filled.

In short, the Patel team were always willing to go the extra mile for customers. I wish them a happy retirement and hope the Co-op retain the staff.

A stroll through the rear service areas of The Stow is quite revealing, particularly with regard to cooked food outlets. I doubt if some of these traders even possess a broom or indeed know how to use one. The Stow Chemist employed a cleaner.

Bernie Walker
Harefield, Harlow

Firework misery

SIR, I was interested to read the *Nostalgia* item about Guy Fawkes night going back to the 1950s and the Bang out of Order campaign that is running in Harlow (November 1).

However, I have to ask what is being done about fireworks and the legal position of when and where they should be let off?

On telephoning Harlow police station a few years ago, I was advised that there was nothing that could be done and it was legal for fireworks to be let off up to 11pm. Big help!

Also, there should be an adjustment to how early they go on sale. I live in the Latton Bush area of Harlow and already we have had at least two weeks of firework nights in the area. If it follows the pattern of other years, we can expect another two weeks or more after the 5th until the youths have exhausted their supply.

Surely there is no supervision when they are let off over the fields and it begs the question does there have to be a major incident before anything is done about it?

My childhood years found me looking forward to November 5 but now it is just a misery having to listen to the booms and bangs every night for at least five or six weeks every year.

Beverley Taylor
address supplied – Editor

Spookily good!

SIR, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the children, big and small, who

knocked at my door on Halloween night.

We found them all a delight, they were all polite and very well behaved. It is so nice at long last to say well done to these children and also to their parents. In these days, children and parents are always being knocked back but we realise that there are parents trying and succeeding and children taking notice.

So, once again, well done children and a big pat on the back for the parents.

Pauline Spurling
Nichollsfield, Harlow

So splat-happy

SIR, I would like to say how much I enjoyed a recent visit to The Playhouse in Harlow to see *Bugsy Malone*. The cast of young performers acted like true professionals and the whole thing was fantastic.

It made me realise how lucky the residents of Harlow are to have a wonderful theatre on our doorstep.

My sincere thanks to all the performers and the staff at The Playhouse for giving me such an enjoyable evening.

Margaret Knight
Joyners Field, Harlow

Our Samaritan

SIR, May I take the opportunity to thank the very kind gentleman who helped my wife after she had taken a very heavy fall whilst crossing Fourth Avenue via the pedestrian crossing outside the veterinary surgery on October 11.

Not only did he assist her to her feet but insisted on escorting her to the Walk-In Centre, where she was treated most efficiently.

Having been dazed and mildly concussed, my wife felt that she did not express her thanks enough. He really was her good Samaritan.

T.G. Smith
Jerounds, Harlow

Wake up and smell reality of democracy

SIR, I was not surprised to read Terry Brandon's complaint about the Conservative victory in Todd Brook (November 1) which deprived him of a seat Labour thought was their birthright. He moans about the 102 votes which went to Respect, despite his talk of socialism, trade unions, the workplace, solidarity, the masses and traditional Labour

that would seem to put him squarely in the Respect camp, outside Bill Rammell's New Labour clique (although his roots are also solidly within Harlow's Old Labour 'nuclear free zone').

Dare I suggest that Mr Brandon only got the votes he did because of Harlow's unholy alliance between Labour and the Liberal Democrats, whereby the latter hardly showed their faces in Todd Brook?

Or I could equally moan about UKIP, but for whose 981 votes in 2005 Robert Halfon would today be our MP. Mr Brandon even blamed the weather – but it was the same weather for Conservative voters!

There are now divergent Labour camps in Harlow: New Labour – Heaven knows what they believe in, but our MP and Government minister defends, as he must, their policies, resented by many former supporters; then the old Labour guard, of whom many remain within New Labour; and finally the socialist believers whose ideals are regularly betrayed by New Labour. It is no surprise that some of these could not bring themselves to vote for Mr Brandon.

But the real shock for him must be to wake up and find we live in a democracy, not a socialist state where you can only vote for one party, as it seems he

would like it to be!
Joshua Jolles
Civic Centre, Harlow

SIR, In reply to New Labour's and Terry Brandon's attacks on Respect political party (Letters, November 1), as a former member of Respect and now in New Labour he surely remembers the formation of Respect came from the huge demonstration of over two million people who took to the streets of London on February 15, 2003 in protest against the invasion of Iraq.

Respect stands for peace, which New Labour does not. We believe in socialism, which New Labour does not.

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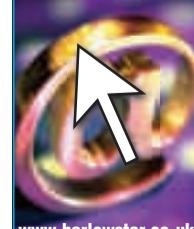
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Terry Brandon falsely assumed that the people who voted for Respect would have voted New Labour; my experience tells me that voters chose mainly not to vote New Labour because of their own policies, both nationally and locally.

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Sad pet owner's speed campaign

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A GRIEF-stricken woman is calling for speeding restrictions on a busy road after her dog was knocked down and killed by a hit-and-run driver.

Susan Olszak fears the next fatality could just as easily be a child and is now taking steps to press for traffic to be slowed down along Harlow's Fourth Avenue.

Her family's beloved pet dog Duke died after being hit on the road last Wednesday.

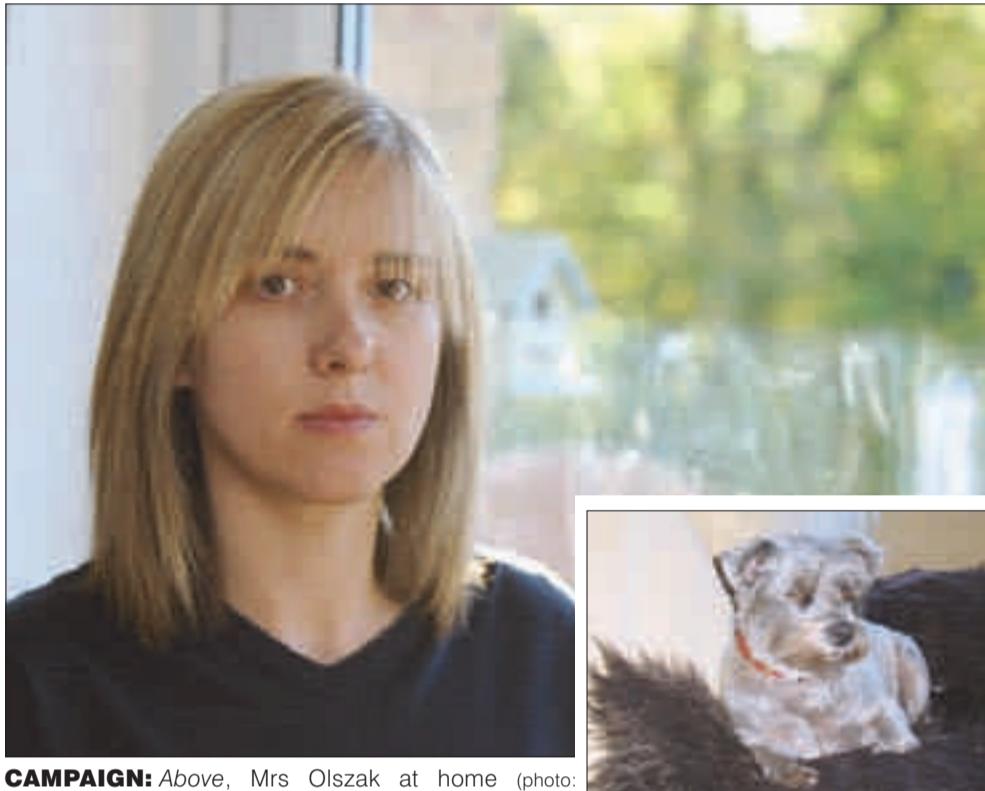
The eight-year-old cross-breed was being walked by Mrs Olszak's husband Alex (52) when he found a gap in a hedge of the field he was in and bolted out onto the busy stretch.

One car swerved to avoid him but he was hit by a driver on the opposite carriageway.

The driver, who Mrs Olszak claims was going too fast to brake, drove on and left a distraught Mr Olszak to take Duke to the vets. He died on arrival.

Mrs Olszak (38) now wants traffic-calming measures on the road and is to lobby Essex County Council for action.

The mother-of-two, who is too upset to return to work at Pitney Bowes, said: "Duke has been a loyal and loving pet and my fam-



CAMPAIGN: Above, Mrs Olszak at home (photo: XXXXXXXXX); right, Duke (s)

ily is devastated.

"I know it's not the driver's fault because the dog ran on the road but it really saddens me they couldn't be bothered to pull over to check if he was okay. Fourth Avenue is notorious for speeding drivers and I think something should be done to

slow them down.

"I am going to ask the council what can be done about introducing traffic-calming measures there. Next time it could be somebody's child knocked over."

Mrs Olszak also intends to contact the police to see if the driver reported the accident.

A spokesman for Essex County Council said the authority would look into Mrs Olszak's concerns, adding: "We keep safety along all our highways under constant review and any concerns raised about speeding issues on any of our roads will be investigated."

Did you witness robbers in brutal subway attack?

DETECTIVES have launched an investigation after a man was punched to the ground and robbed in a Harlow underpass.

The 42-year-old was walking between the Hides and First Avenue when he was set upon by two assailants.

The victim was punched in the face with such force it knocked him to the ground. While he was down, his attackers ransacked his pockets and stole his mobile phone and cash before leaving him to call for help.

Detective Sergeant Paul Maleary is leading the investigation and said: "The man was left shaken and upset by the whole

incident and we would like anybody with information to come forward to help find the people responsible.

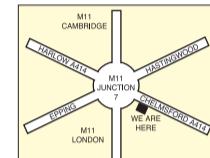
The attack happened as the man made his way home from drinking in the town between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on Saturday, so anybody who was in the area at the time and saw anything suspicious is asked to call us."

One suspect was described as being aged 20-25, about 6ft tall, of medium build and with short brown hair. No description was given for the second attacker.

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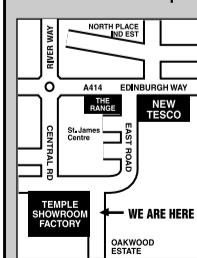


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Youth milk bar opening delay as workers remove asbestos

A PIONEERING milk bar project set up for Harlow's youth has had its opening delayed because of asbestos.

The teenagers' meeting spot got the go-ahead in July after years of discussions and should have been opened by September, with work to convert a former betting shop in West Gate scheduled to take just six weeks.

But the opening of Café Youth, spearheaded by the town's Youth Council, has been put back after workmen discovered carcinogenic asbestos on the premises.

The café will not open until mid-December at the earliest and possibly not until

early 2008 to allow for specialist workmen to remove the dangerous material and for building work to be finished.

A Harlow Council spokesman said: "As this is a community project, all of the organisations are kindly donating their work for free so they must fit it around other commitments."

At a ceremony in London on Tuesday, the project was named Youth Initiative of the Year in the Regional Monitor Excellence Awards which recognise local innovation.

The council's Street Scene Champions project, under which young residents are

rewarded with shopping vouchers for helping to tackle environmental crime, was also recognised in the awards, coming runner-up in the Community Safety category.

Joint Harlow Council leader Tony Durcan said he was proud two of the town's projects had done so well.

"I would also like to congratulate the Youth Council for its work to develop the youth café project – they fully deserve this award. Both projects are excellent examples of where young people are taking a lead in making a difference to the community."

Burglary accused released on bail

A HARLOW man has appeared in court charged with burglary following a raid at a Costcutter supermarket.

Jimmy Holdcraft (47), of Longbanks, appeared before Harlow magistrates last Wednesday in connection with the incident which occurred two days earlier in Newport.

As well as the burglary charges, he is also accused of driving other than in accordance with his licence.

Holdcraft was released on bail to next appear at Chelmsford Magistrates' Court on January 4.

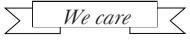
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PENLOW Road off Abercrombie Way, Staple Tye features in this week's *Pothole Patrol*, courtesy of a smattering of cracks and craters. The asphalt is said to be so bad that residents worry their vehicles' components will soon succumb to wear and tear bought about by negotiating the tricky terrain. So watch out, you have been



warned. To add a pothole you know of to the ever-growing number featured in *Pothole Patrol*, email sassoon@hertsessexnews.co.uk or call (01279) 400577.

Cook up a way to end food waste

A CAMPAIGN to reduce food waste is being launched by Essex County Council and the Waste Resource Action Programme.

Love Food Hate Waste aims to raise awareness and give advice on how to enjoy the food we buy and reduce what we discard.

It is estimated that food waste costs the average household more than £400 a year.

To mark the launch, food lovers are invited

to share their favourite recipes for leftovers. The 10 best will be included in a recipe book and the overall winner will scoop a meal for two plus B&B at the Cherry Tree in Stambridge and a signed Jamie Oliver book. To enter, write to Essex County Council Waste & Recycling Branch, County Hall, Chelmsford, CM1 1QH or email wastemanagement@essexcc.gov.uk.



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DREAMS came true for Harlow pensioner Kate Harrison this week when the Essex Cancer Scanner fund finally reached its target of £1m. She had nothing but praise for the efforts of generous Harlow people, who have helped raise over £32,000 since the fund began in 1978.

FIRM'S CLOSURE 'A TRAGEDY'

HARLOW MP Stan Newens has called the closure of engineering firm Sykes Marine "a tragedy" and laid the blame for the company's financial crisis on the government.

Mr Newens told the *Star* he had repeatedly gone to the Minister for Overseas Development to seek the support the firm needed to obtain further orders abroad.

COURTLY DRESS

THE presentation of two sets of 19th century costumes to Harlow Museum has left officer-in-charge Mr Ian Jones with an unusual problem. Dummies are now needed to display the fine uniforms, which were once worn for ceremonial and court occasions by the Lord Lieutenant of Essex, Edward Bowby, who died in 1902.

SMALL BUSINESS AREAS PLANNED

TWO new areas for small businesses may be set aside by Harlow Council.

The resources and policy co-ordination meeting last Wednesday received a report which suggested council properties in Wych Elm and Bush Fair should be let for small businesses.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

Have any of our correspondents' recollections jogged your memory?

- Did you work at or run any of the first shops in the Harvey Centre?
- Do you recall the opening or early days of St Paul's Church, in The High?

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Calling all Latton Bush School pupils!



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above in 1976, from 1959-66, as well as anyone who taught there at the time. The gathering, organised by Sue Rowley (nee Money), who now lives in Yorkshire, will take place next year. Sue said: "Already, I have managed to track down and invite a considerable number of our peers but I am sure there are many more, as well as many

of our old teachers we would be pleased to see.

"I would also like to ask if anyone has either an old school badge or any items of uniform they would be willing to lend us for the occasion."

To contact Sue, call (01226) 712882 or send her an email to sue.rowley@btinternet.com.

Is it you we're looking for?

WELCOME to a new occasional feature in Star Nostalgia, where we attempt to reunite readers with long-lost friends or relatives believed to be living in or around Harlow.

We begin with Norwich residents Ron and Gladys Wicks, who married in 1951 and are looking for their best man George Cousins and chief bridesmaid Jean Fisher - both of whom are probably in their 70s now.

Mr and Mrs Wicks' granddaughter Kelly Pike, of Little Cattins, Harlow, got in touch on their behalf. She said: "Jean was brought up in Hackney. She married a twin named Pat and they moved to Harlow. She had a brother named Jackie Fisher, who was younger than her, and he later married a lady called Doreen.

"George was an apprentice with my grandfather at a carpenters' called W Loweths in the early 1940s. He then married Maureen and they moved to Leyton but we believe he may still have family in the area."

Can you help trace any of these people? If so, contact Nostalgia and we will pass your information on.

The place for space age TVs and music



By
BEN WILKINSON

THE observant among you will have noticed that Harlow's biggest record shop - the Virgin Megastore, in Broad Walk - has recently changed its name to Zavvi.

Perhaps this may be a topic for *Nostalgia* in the distant future but this week we take a step back in the other direction to a popular music store of decades past.

Our picture shows Leytonia, in West Gate. This was the place to go for kids wanting the latest sounds in the early days of The High although, in common with most early record shops, its main stock in trade were radios, TV sets and domestic appliances. Our picture probably doesn't allow you to fully appreciate the space-age looking television sets in the window, but they are there along with the signs proudly proclaiming the shop as "Your Murphy Dealer".

And for motoring buffs, the vehicles on the left are also of interest - the Leytonia van, which advertises "service without equal", carries the curious number plate 91F.

We recalled this shop, along with others such as Finlays, in Little Walk, and Startime Records, in West Walk, on the *Nostalgia* page a month ago. But it is another that we mentioned - the Tartan Bag Shop, in The Stow - that jogged the memory of The Fortunes resident Irene Sawyer (68).

"My first job in Harlow was in the office of Radbourne's Dairies, in Commons Road, and the business later moved to The Stow," said Mrs Sawyer, who has lived in Harlow since 1953 when her family moved here from the East End.

"At that time, when any new people moved into the town, our manager and the managers of other rival dairies would offer them gifts in an attempt to win their custom.

"It was around the same period that I used to go



(photo: The Museum Of Harlow)

into the Tartan Bag Shop to buy my button earrings and my 78rpm records. I loved the American rock and roll stars like Jerry Lee Lewis, Little Richard and Buddy Holly - and, of course, Elvis, who is still my favourite!

"I remember the girl who served in the Tartan Bag Shop was called Pat."

Mrs Sawyer also remembers one of the other stores previously mentioned in *Nostalgia*, Kenville Jackson, in Old Harlow. "I once bought a radiogram there," she said. "It is certainly true to say that you do not find shops like that in today's Harlow!"

● If you remember any of these shops or others of the period, please write to *Nostalgia*.

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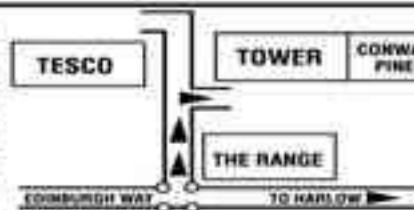
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FRIDAY

ALI (member 576), of Denby Grange, Harlow, is 10; KIERAN (member 582), of Wedhey, Harlow, is 4.

SATURDAY

LOUIS (member 4G), of Bush Fair, Harlow, is 12 and leaves Rangers

SUNDAY

SHAY (member 766), of Barnard Road, Sawbridgeworth, is 9; ELLIS (member 440), of The Downs, Harlow, and ZACH (member 609), of Freshwaters, Harlow, are both 7; EBONY (member 871), of Bush Fair, Harlow, is 4.

MONDAY

AMBER (member 8G), of Abbeydale Close, Harlow, is 11; STEVEN (member 468), of Taylifers, Harlow, is 10; CHARLOTTE (member 714), of Denby Grange, Harlow, and TIYA (member 756), of Ashworth Place, Harlow, are both 6.

TUESDAY

CALLUM (member 474), of Fir Park, Harlow, and LAUREN (member 126), of Peacocks, Harlow, are both 12 and leave Rangers. SARAH (member 362), of Greystoke Park, Harlow, and ERIN (member 493), of Ryecroft, Harlow, are both 11; ALFIE (member 292), of Lavender Close, Harlow, is 8; TRUE (member 278), of Elwood, Harlow, is 7; REECE (member 377), of Challinor, Harlow, is 6.

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New recruits

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Rangers FactFile

NAME: Keighley (member 807)

DATE OF BIRTH: October 20, 1999

ADDRESS: Rushes Mead, Harlow

SCHOOL: William Martin Junior School

HOBBIES: Dancing and singing

DISLIKES: Getting up in the mornings

FAVOURITE FOOD: Strawberries

LEAST FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizza

FAVOURITE BOOK: High School Musical

FAVOURITE TV: Hannah Montana

FAVOURITE MUSIC: Take That

FAMILY: Brother, Aidan (23) and sister, Elisha (21)

PETS: Scruff the dog and four goldfish

WANTS TO BE: A hairdresser

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Keeping a record of top pop sales

DID you know that the UK music charts which many of us listen to on a Sunday afternoon have only been around for 55 years?

The first rundown of the best-selling British singles was published on November 14, 1952 by the *New Musical Express* (now known as the *NME*) magazine and featured just 12 records!

The magazine only introduced the chart as a gimmick in its circulation battle against its bitter rival, the now defunct *Melody Maker*, but it soon became one of the *NME*'s most popular features.

Recognising the reader appeal of printing such a chart, other music magazines started to copy the idea, but it wasn't until 1960 when trade newspaper *Record Retailer* published a Top 50 that the modern singles chart was born.

However, the sheer number of different charts available to music fans throughout the 1960s meant that it was often difficult to know which band had sold the most records. That is why the BBC and *Record Retailer* decided to create an official organisation which was given the responsibility of overseeing an official national Top 50.

Since then, the singles chart has stayed much the same, although recently the way of calculating total sales was changed to include tracks downloaded from the internet onto MP3 players.

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In the UK we throw away 6.7 million tonnes of food each year - that's about the weight of 17.5 million Jersey cows! Most of this ends up

in landfill sites, which contributes to climate change as it rots and produces methane, a very powerful greenhouse gas. But this needn't have gone to waste if it had been eaten, composted or not bought in the first place.

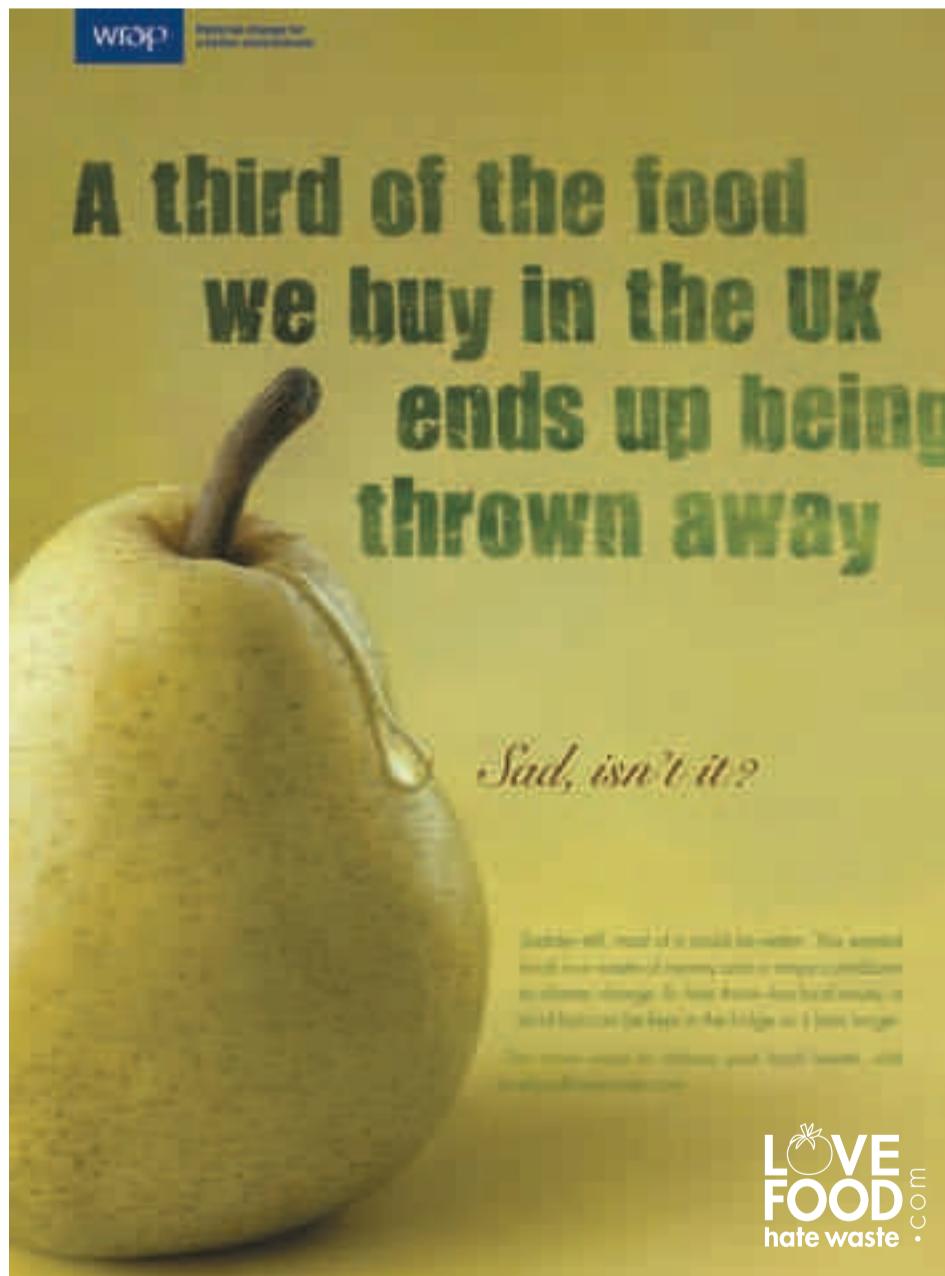
Preventing food waste is also great for our finances, as it is estimated that food waste costs the average household over £400 each year.

'Love Food Hate Waste' is a campaign aimed at raising awareness of the food waste problem in the UK and providing us all with helpful and practical hints and tips on how to enjoy the food we buy, and cut down on the amount of good food thrown away.

Here are some tips we thought we'd share:

- When cooking for a family - take a few minutes to measure food out - perhaps into a cup - so you get the right portion per person.
- Meals made from leftovers can be delicious and timesaving - whether it's food from the night before or food left in the fridge or cupboard. Do your own 'Ready Steady Cook' and see what meals you can make.
- Check what's in your cupboard or freezer - not forgetting the back of your fridge - before you shop for more.
- Make good use of the fridge and freezer to keep food better - for example, most ripe fruit can be kept in the fridge to make it last longer.
- Home composting is a great way to prevent unavoidable food waste such as peelings, cores and teabags ending up in landfill and can do wonders for the garden.

For more information on how to reduce the amount of food you throw away visit reduceforessex.co.uk or call 0845 603 7625.



COMPETITION

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We're looking for Essex food lovers

Do you have a great recipe using leftovers such as bread and butter pudding, bubble and squeak or long-shelf life items such as corned beef hash?

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There are gourmet prizes for those 10 'Master chefs' who make it into the book. The best recipe, as judged by Colin Oliver (Jamie Oliver's Uncle and owner of the acclaimed Cherry Tree pub and restaurant), will be added to The Cherry Tree specials menu and its creator will win a meal for two and bed and breakfast at The Cherry Tree in Stambbridge (with compliments from the Olivers). All ten selected winners will receive signed copies of Jamie's latest cook book.

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Don't forget to include your name, address, telephone number and email address with your recipe.

Deadline for entries is Monday 19th November. For all terms and conditions, visit reduceforessex.co.uk or call 0845 603 7625.

Essex Authorities working together to reduce food waste

John steps down after three decades spent in shoes

A HARLOW shopkeeper has said a fond farewell to the shoe shop he has run for the past 17 years after taking early retirement.

John Illing (63), manager of Sole Trader, was praised by Harvey Centre manager Bryan Young at a leaving ceremony on Wednesday in which he was presented with gifts courtesy of the shopping centre.

Mr Illing has handed over the reins to under-manager Lee Hervey after giving 31 years of loyal service to the shoe empire in various capacities and told the *Star* that his retirement would be tinged with sadness as a result.

"When you've worked somewhere for so long it becomes part of you, so my retirement is both a happy and sad occasion," he said.

"Sole Trader was one of the Harvey Centre pioneers and I helped open up the store 20 years ago when I was an area manager. But I'm leaving the store in good hands – Lee is a very capable manager and I'm sure he will do a good job!"



ADIEU:
Pictured, left to right, are Harvey Centre administrator Betty Evans, centre operations manager Nicola Wyatt, John Illing, Sole Trader deputy manager Anthony Barnett, centre manager Bryan Young and Hassan Papas (photo: Y2NXGSKC/05)

Adult learning boom for training facility

FRUSTRATED mature students with nowhere to turn for learning support in Harlow can now start working their way back to the top of the class thanks to a revamped adult training centre.

Following the closure of Harlow iTEC and cutbacks in adult learning provision at Harlow College, The Learning Shop in Slacksbury Hatch is catering for more adult learners than ever before, recently doubling the number of workstations available and recruiting a new teacher to cope with demand.

Run by Harlow charity Local Learning Ltd, the shop specialises in teaching English, maths and computing to over-19s using a combination of computer-based workshops and class tuition.

Students benefit from a friendly and relaxed environment, progressing at their own pace with the option to work towards gaining qualifications or just to try and keep up with their children's IT skills!

Administrator Anne Street said: "This is a great place to

work – there is a huge variety of students dropping in to continue their learning or have a chat, and now we have twice as many computers I hope we will have twice as many students."

Since its opening at the beginning of the year, the shop has helped more than 100 Harlow residents achieve recognised national qualifications at level 1 and 2 (equivalent to GCSE grades A*-C) in literacy, numeracy and IT, with many going on to achieve a promotion, find a job or gain entrance to college. Director of education Charles Montlake is delighted with the shop's progress: "This year we were recognised by Learn Direct as a regional finalist in the Learning Centre of the Year award.

"We have recently started teaching the ITQ – an NVQ in information technology – which is brilliant because it is an NVQ available to people looking for work as well as those already employed."

Full funding is available through Learn Direct for literacy and numeracy courses, and IT course costs are kept to a minimum. For more information, call (01279) 414587.

A bright idea for safer shoppers



A HARLOW supermarket has been handing out reflective arm-bands to ensure its customers' safety on pavements and roads as the nights draw in for winter.

Asda, in The Water Gardens, gave away the safety bands on Friday to coincide with the clocks going back and tying in with the nationwide launch of the Government's Be Seen Be Safe campaign.

Representatives from Evolution Road Training also attended the event to speak to shoppers about road safety in the dark.

The store's people manager Alex McQue said: "We gave away over 100 arm bands in-store on Friday before the clocks went back on the weekend. "We have a lot of customers who come to the store on foot and we wanted to make sure they are as safe as possible throughout the dark winter months."

Pictured, left, are Asda worker Dionne Crisp making Lauren Deacon highly visible.

Three Valleys' donation help for breathing

A DONATION from the local water board has brought a breath of fresh air to patients in Harlow and Epping suffering from breathing illnesses.

Three Valleys Water handed over a cheque for £500 to the Harlow and Epping Forest Breathe Easy Group to be put towards pulmonary rehabilitation classes to train patients how to maximise their ability to breathe.

Group chairman Dennis Ramshaw said: "Respiratory patients lived in the twilight zone for years, hardly recognised, despite the fact they are one of the biggest patient groups and the biggest source of A&E cases.

"It is tremendously encouraging that a major business is playing a welcome part in giving them the recognition and support they deserve."

The water firm consulted with Essex County Council before choosing the support group as part of its commitment to the community.

"We very much hope the pulmonary rehabilitation will deliver real benefits," said a spokeswoman for the firm.

New nurse gets point at clinic

A PHYSIOTHERAPY clinic in Epping is pinning its hopes for expansion on a new addition to the team after appointing a qualified acupuncturist.

Registered nurse Jane Solomon joined the Epping Physiotherapy Clinic, in High Street, at the end of October and will offer services based on both Chinese and Western medical approaches to acupuncture.

She will treat patients suffering from a wide range of conditions – including those afflicted with circulatory, gastrointestinal and musculo-skeletal problems – complementing treatments offered by the current team of four physios, two sports masseurs, a hypnotherapist and a complementary therapist.

Warning on new tax rule change

HOSPITALITY firms in Essex have been warned not to fall foul of recent changes to tax rules which could leave them exposed to demands for arrears.

New tightening-up by the Inland Revenue means that employees' perks such as food, drink or clothing can now be subject to tax, a change expected to hit the hospitality sector hardest, according to tax advisory firm Vantis.



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Family Announcements

Deaths

EDITH MAY ABELL

05/06/21 -

27/10/07

Passed away on 27th October 2007 aged 86. Sadly missed by John, Philip and Pamela, her six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She will be forever in our hearts.

Her funeral to take place at Parndon Wood Crematorium at 2.30pm on Friday 9th November 2007.

Family flowers only please, donations for Help The Aged may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons 01279 426990.

ABELL. — Edith May, 1921 - 2007. Passed away peacefully on Saturday 27th October 2007. Beloved mother of John, Philip, Pamela. She will be sadly missed by her grandchildren, great grandchildren. Thank you darling for 66 years of heavenly marriage. God bless darling. Love you for ever. Till we meet again, Hen.

HILDA BASS (Hildegard)

Died peacefully on Saturday 3rd November 2007 aged 83. Devoted wife to her late husband Jim Bass.

Hilda is greatly missed by those who were close to her and her extended family in Germany. Service at Parndon Wood Tuesday 13th November at 3.30pm

No flowers please. Donations to St Clare Hospice, c/o Daniel Robinson. 01279 426990.

DEREK BURLEY

A devoted father to son Liam died at his home in Thetford on the 29th October aged 46 years. Will be sadly missed by all his family, wife Lynne, Mum, brothers Kevin and twin brother Ian, Dawn and Yvonne. xxx

GLADYS Mc KAY

Suddenly on Wednesday 31st October 2007 aged 84 years. Reunited with her beloved Husband James. The dearly loved Mum of John and Gill and Janice and Michael. A much loved Grandmother and Great Grandmother. All enquiries please telephone Daniel Robinson & Son, Harlow 426990.

MARGARET ROSE SHOAT

A wonderful Wife, Mother and Grandmother sadly passed away on 2 November 2007 aged 83 years. Always in our hearts. Love Alf and family. Funeral service at St. Johns Church, Epping on Wednesday 14 November at 11.00am.

In Memoriam

DAWN BARNHAM

07.11.49 - 04.08.99
Remembering your Birthday dearest Dawn. Missing you more than words can say. Loving you always. Mum, Chris, Sue and Tricia

BRANT. — Susan, 6-11-2002. Five years since you left us, we miss you. Love Mum and Philip.

BUREY. — Lee. Another year has passed, you are always in our thoughts mate. Love C & C. xxx

CLARK ANDREA (nee HOWE)

1958 - 1997
In loving memory of our beloved Daughter who passed away on November 5th 1997. Ten years have passed since that sad day we sat and held your hand while you quietly slipped away. Our love and memories will last forever.

Rest peacefully in Gods Garden until we meet again.

Love from your devoted Mum and Dad

RENE WADE

Peacefully in hospital on Monday 5th November 2007 aged 76 years. The much loved wife of Pete and dearly loved Mum of Sylvia, Steven and Sharon and adored Nan to her 11 grandchildren and Great Nan to 12. All enquiries please telephone Daniel Robinson & Sons, Harlow 426990

BERYL HENNESSEY

Remembering a true friend who is sadly missed. Enid Reed

KITTY O'DONOVAN

Remembering a dear Mum and Nan, on her anniversary November 13th, 2004.

Put your arms around her Lord And touch her smiling face For she was someone special And can never be replaced.

Your loving family, Margaret, Jim, Teresa, James, Kathleen, Chris, Bernadette, Bob, Joseph and Michael xxx

PAGE. — Barbara, November 8th 1986. Loving memories of dear Barbara, always in our thoughts. Doris, Bert, Joan, Allan, Debbie, Neil and families.

PAGE. — Barbara, November 8th 1986. Loving memories of a dear wife and mother, always in our thoughts and our hearts. Malcolm, Julia and Michael.

McCABE Granddad Pat and Auntie Tish

In loving memory of our dear Granddad and Auntie always remembered. Love Paddy, Shona, Shannon, Conor and Cavan xxx

CORKE. — Fredrick George. Remembering November 10th 1993 the day you passed away. We love and miss you always, forever in our thoughts. From all your loving family. x

GARVEY Jackie. 50 today. Love and miss you today, tomorrow and always. Anne, Danny and family. xx

McCABE Pat 10th Anniversary November 9th and Patricia

23rd Anniversary, November 10th.

In loving memory of a dear Dad and Sister. Death cannot part us Nor distance divide For the rest of our lives

You are by our sides.

Loved and missed so

very much.

God Bless

Rest in Peace

Love from all the family

GARVEY Jacqueline Ann

10-11-1957

- 13-4-2007

We thought of you with love today. But that's nothing new.

We thought of you yesterday and days before that too.

We think of you in silence, we often speak your name,

all we have are memories and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake with which we will never part.

God has you in his keeping, we have you in our hearts.

Happy 50th Birthday my darling.

Lots of love Mum,

Alicia, Kirstie, Lee and Dylan.

3.1.37 - 30.10.07

Mum, no words

can describe how

much I miss you.

My heart is broken

and will never mend,

I just have to learn to

step over the hole that

you have left in it,

and carry on with

life without you.

Sleep well Mum.

Alicia, Kirstie, Lee and Dylan.

Thinking of you on

your 80th Birthday

8th November.

Each day a thought, sometimes a tear, our love and memories keep you near.

Lots of love John,

Lyn, Gill, Wendy and families.

Thinking of you on your

birthday, I still miss you.

GLAD MORRIS

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Family Announcements

13th Birthday



SOPHIE EVANS

Happy 13th Birthday darling (8th November)
Love from Mum, Dad and Will xxx



KELLI GOT

18th Happy Birthday darling. With all my love Dad xxx

21st Birthday



SCARLETT KEAY

To our wonderful daughter. Hope you have a fab 21st. All our love Mum, Dad and Casey xx

PETE COOK

To the world's greatest Step-Dad. Happy 40th. Luv ya Katie



EVANS. — Sophie. Happy 13th Birthday sweetheart, enjoy your party on Saturday. Love from Nanny, Grandad and Grandma.

18th Birthday



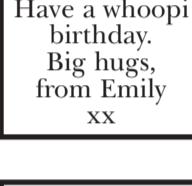
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Happy 18th Birthday
Love you lots
Carly xx



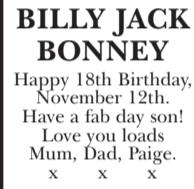
JACK KNIGHT

10th November
Love from Mum, Dad and Charlie



MY UNCLE JAMIE

Have a whoopi birthday.
Big hugs, from Emily xx



BILLY JACK BONNEY

Happy 18th Birthday, November 12th.
Have a fab day son!
Love you loads
Mum, Dad, Paige.
x x x



JADE

Love always Mum, Oruc, Danny, Joe, Billy and Sahin
xx



ANDREW LEE

Happy 21st Birthday 13th November
Love Mum, Dad and Laura xxx



LOOK WHO'S 40

Happy Birthday Jamie
Love Mum, Ella and Lucy

BONNEY. — Bill. Happy 18th Birthday darling, have a lovely day. Love ya lots, Nan and Grandad. xxx

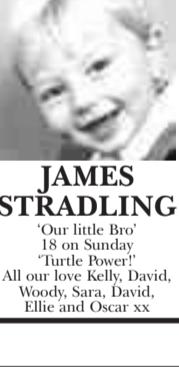
BONNEY. — Billy. Happy 18th Birthday, have a great day. Love Nat, Russ, Abbie, Ellis, Chris, Callum and Evan. xxx

BONNEY. — Billy. Have a wicked 18th Birthday! Lots of luv. Sam, Steve, Nathan, Carrie and Leah. xxx



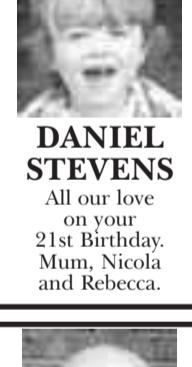
SAMANTHA COOPER

Happy 18th Birthday to our Princess
Love Nan and Trevor



JAMES STRADLING

'Our little Bro' 18 on Sunday
'Turtle Power'
All our love Kelly, David, Woody, Sara, David, Ellie and Oscar xx



DANIEL STEVENS

All our love on your 21st Birthday. Mum, Nicola and Rebecca.



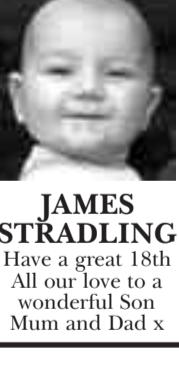
DIANE CLARKE (nee HOWE)

Happy 50th Birthday All our love Terry, Sally, Ross, Kev, Frank, Meg and Jade xx



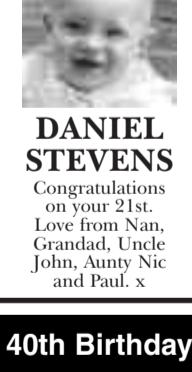
SAMANTHA COOPER

Happy 18th Birthday on 14th November
All our love Mum, Dad and Bradley



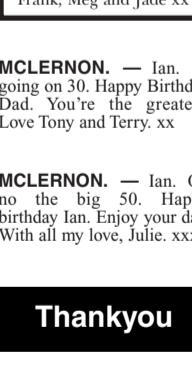
JAMES STRADLING

Have a great 18th All our love to a wonderful Son Mum and Dad x



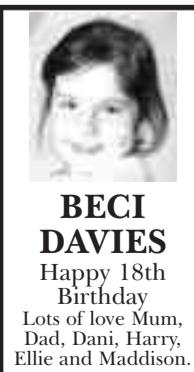
DANIEL STEVENS

Congratulations on your 21st. Love from Nan, Grandad, Uncle John, Aunty Nic and Paul. x



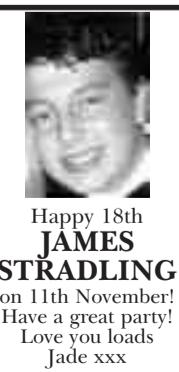
IAN MCLERNON.

— Ian. 50 going on 30. Happy Birthday Dad. You're the greatest. Love Tony and Terry. xx



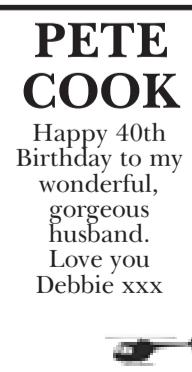
BEICI DAVIES

Happy 18th Birthday
Lots of love Mum, Dad, Dani, Harry, Ellie and Maddison.



JAMES STRADLING

on 11th November!
Have a great party!
Love you loads
Jade xxx



PETE COOK

Happy 40th Birthday to my wonderful, gorgeous husband. Love you Debbie xxx



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WELCOME TO SCHOOLBAG

This week, the wonders of Harlow nature were explored by LITTLE YELLOW FISH COMPANY; the Vikings invaded ST NICHOLAS for a day of pillaging; STEWARDS pupils visited a high-flying Harlow company; and there were some spooky goings-on at COOPERSALE AND THEYDON GARNON PRIMARY's seasonal ball.

JIM TANFIELD
Schoolbag reporter

Tell us what's going on at your school
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Little monsters get to party



COOPERSALE AND THEYDON GARNON PRIMARY: Werewolves, vampires and walking pumpkins attended a spooky party at the Coopersale Common school.

Children were invited to dress up and party for the annual Monster Ball to celebrate Halloween.

Finding spiders in slimy jelly, hunting spooky characters, catching flying bats in nets and pinning the fangs on Dracula were just a few of the ghastly activities on the menu.

SLIGHT TERRORS!: Jessica Neil, Drew Owen and Brandon Alford in their costumes (photo: TSVY9LQD/01)

After eyeball cakes, the children got on the dance floor to show off their best Monster Mash moves.

PTA organiser Annette Denner said: "This event was such a success last year that the children eagerly awaited its return. The school friends put in a lot of work to run this event and it's great to see the children enjoy it so much."



HAMMER OF THE GODS: Pictured, left to right, are Kameron Shah, Viking visitor Bjarni Eriksson and Lucy Moyner (photo: GP7ZB3FL/05)

Full-blooded lesson in pillage

ST NICHOLAS: There was a Scandinavian invasion at the Churchgate Street school on Tuesday when the horn-helmeted Vikings appeared. Year 4's Viking Day saw pupils learn all about

Britain's invaders from more than 1,000 years ago. A spokeswoman for the school said: "It was a really fun day and all the children really benefit from taking a long view at the invaders who have made this country the place it is today."

Oh deer, group has a great day in the woods

THE LITTLE YELLOW FISH COMPANY: The flora and fauna of Harlow's rural spots was a half-term treat for the holiday club.

Children from the group went to Parndon Wood Nature Reserve to learn about the different types of mushrooms and toadstools. While there, they also watched wildlife from a hide, collected natural materials to make a collage and did some bark rubbings.

At the end of the day they had the opportunity to design and make a creepy face for a Halloween pumpkin lantern. Owner Christine Stafford said: "The highlight of the day was when all the children were tip-toeing quietly through the woods and saw a deer with two young fawn."

"We enjoy the opportunity to visit local amenities and Parndon Wood is one of our favourites as there is always something new and different to see or do."

Pictured, right, are the children in the woods.

(photo: XHXGSDXS/03)



Raytheon visit helps students to aim higher



STEWARDS: Pupils from the Parnall Road school were on the defensive when they took a tour of an innovative Harlow company's headquarters. The dozen Year 11s paid a visit to military defence system manufacturers Raytheon, in Pinnacles, as part of the Government's Aimhigher initiative.

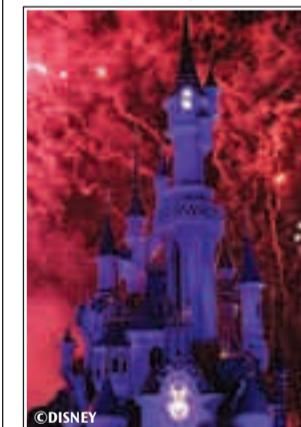
It is the second visit the school has paid Raytheon this year and the hi-tech world proved to be a real eye-opener once again.

Afterwards, a spokeswoman for the school said: "The pupils always really enjoy these visits and we are always constantly amazed at the ingenuity of people working just around the corner from the school."

Pictured, left, is Raytheon worker Dave Ferguson talking to children about his work.

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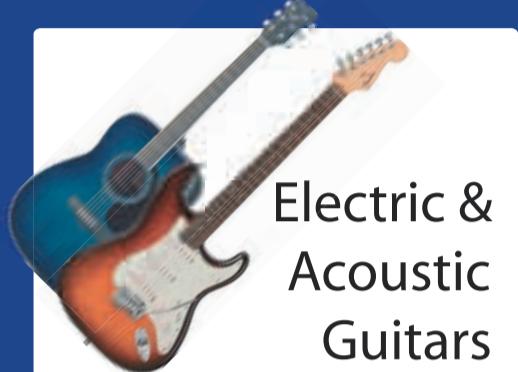
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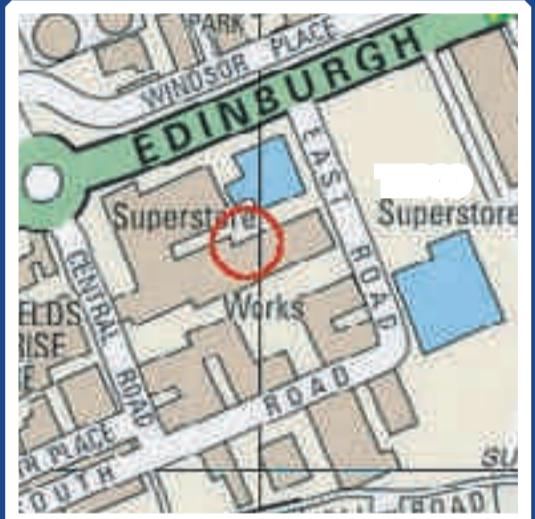
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Guide seeks to ease burden of young carers

A SUPPORTIVE hand is being offered to young carers with the publication of a new guide by Essex County Council.

About 10,000 copies of *Do You Care?* will be distributed to schools, GP surgeries, libraries and youth centres.

The guide offers a range of practical help, advice and important contact numbers for young people. It also provides guidance on personal matters such as how to make friends.

County schools, children and families cabinet member Tracey Chapman said: "We are hoping that this guide will help us to identify more young carers who are out there looking after loved ones without realising there is help available to them."

"At the moment, we are aware of and are in contact with around 800 young carers – but we know that there are at least 5,000 in Essex."

"It is vital that we find these youngsters and let them know that they are not alone and that there are people out there who can give them support."

Young carers are children with family members relying on them completely. They often have the burden of carrying out household chores and looking after younger siblings.

Copies of the guide can be obtained from 0845 6037627 or online at www.esseexc.gov.uk.

Town is the focus of political funding row



A fair day for the hospice!

CAKES and crafts helped raise vital funding for St Clare Hospice at the charity's Christmas Craft Fair.

The homemade foods and gifts were snapped

up by scores of visitors at the Hastingwood hospice on Sunday.

The money raised will go towards the running costs for the centre which provides care for the

terminally ill.

Pictured are, left to right, community fundraiser Teresa Strange, events fundraiser Lisa Thomas and Saskia Burnett.

(photo: PJH2HHBX/01)

A ROW has broken out in the pages of a national newspaper about the amount of money being poured into Harlow to help swing the next General Election.

Since Conservative Parliamentary candidate Robert Halfon wrote to *The Guardian* to defend the aid received by his campaign, the town has become a focus for debate on the rights and wrongs of donors contributing to campaigns in marginal seats.

Mr Halfon wrote in after questions about the money spent by the Tories in Harlow surfaced in a report on *BBC Radio Five Live*, in which he and a *Star* reporter were interviewed.

He argued that the funding, much of it from millionaire deputy party chairman Lord Ashcroft, "levels the playing field" because sitting Labour MP Bill Rammell is able to call on his allowances to fund literature and has assistance from trades unions.

Mr Rammell wrote an angry response and, most recently, Lord Ashcroft penned a counter attack. A number of others have also written in to take sides on the broader point of whether wealthy party donors should be able to inject large sums into marginal constituencies.

By BEN WILKINSON
Chief Reporter
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Mr Rammell wrote: "In recent years, since it became compulsory for donations to be declared to the Electoral Commission, the Conservative party in Harlow has received £143,229. The bulk of this has come from Tory financiers such as Ashcroft and corporations with registered offices as far afield as the British Virgin Islands, Tel Aviv and New York."

"This huge funding imbalance enables my Tory opponent to pay for glossy mailings and weekly front page party political advertisements in the local papers."

But in reply, Lord Ashcroft accused Mr Rammell of having a "shaky grasp" of democracy, adding: "It is cowardly for sitting MPs to seek to restrict the campaigning capacity of their opponents while protecting their own sources of support and exploiting the advantages of incumbency."

Last week, talks between the main political parties broke down after the Government refused to consider including money from trades unions in any cap on donations.

However, Prime Minister Gordon Brown has come under pressure from many of his own MPs, including Mr Rammell, to push ahead with plans to limit the influence of Tory bankrollers.

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PAH consults to become a foundation

PRINCESS Alexandra Hospital in Harlow is taking the first steps to become part of an elite group of NHS trusts which have greater freedom in their running and finances.

The hospital hopes to become an NHS Foundation Trust next year and is embarking on a consultation process to seek views and suggestions from patients, staff and the public over the intention. The exercise will run until January 13 next year.

Trust chief executive Chris Pocklington said: "We are very excited about the opportunities and challenges that Foundation Trust status offers us. The one key advantage is that we will have much more control of our own destiny as we go forward in shaping hospital services in future."

Trust chairman Robert Powell said: "Foundation Trusts benefit the public and our patients because we will be inviting people to have greater involvement and a real say in how we shape our services. For our staff there will be greater freedom to develop new ways of working and allow them to have more influence in the workplace and in the future of their wards and departments."

To submit your views, call 0800 032 9006 or visit www.pah.nhs.uk.

'Remarkable' payout to brain-injured boy

Visit drives home winter road safety

HUNDREDS of reflective armbands were given to children when a road safety campaign rolled into Harlow. A variety of accessories were given out by Department for Transport officials and firefighters at Sainsbury's supermarket, along with advice about being safe this winter.

The event on Friday was part of the Government's nationwide Be Safe Be Seen initiative, launched in a bid to reduce the number of children killed on the roads in the winter.

Also handed out were Be Safe Be Seen stickers, bicycle spoke reflectors and reflective bag tags.



SAFETY FIRST: Getting the message across are Kim Shenton of Essex County Council and fire sub-officer Rob Sherwin (photo: HYCLR3LB/01)

AN Epping boy left severely disabled after a private doctor bungled his Caesarean delivery has won a multi-million pound compensation payout.

Jake Smith (8), of Carpenter's Drive, Thornwood Common, was awarded the settlement after his father Jonathan sued Richard Sheridan, the consultant obstetrician who oversaw the delivery.

Mr Sheridan had already been found liable for Jake's injuries after a High Court hearing in April 2005, where Mr Justice McKinnon concluded that the doctor had used "excessive force" in delivering the baby in May 1999.

Apparently born lifeless, it took doctors at Watford General Hospital 17 minutes to revive Jake, during which time he suffered brain damage so severe he will need around-the-clock care for the rest of his life, counsel Susan Rodway told London's High Court last Wednesday.

She told Mr Justice Saunders that the problems with delivery would have caused an enormous shock to baby Jake and the disabilities he now has are classic signs that he suffered an acute hypoxic insult to his brain.

Describing the case as "poignant in the extreme", Miss Rodway said Jake had been a long-awaited and much wanted baby and that his mother Abigail had undergone fertility surgery to enable his conception.

Although the exact amount of the settlement agreed with Mr Sheridan's professional insurers was not announced in open court, awards upwards of £7m have been made in similar cases and Miss Rodway described the figure as "remarkable".

Approving the settlement, Mr Justice Saunders agreed the amount should be paid in a single lump sum and said the case was "both sad and remarkable".

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A generation works hard to



GOLDEN YEARS: Left, David Devine with some of his personal collection of local music memorabilia (photo: KWQVD72Q/01); above, The Newtown Neurotics (s)

PUNK rock and Harlow? As unlikely bedfellows as they may seem in today's sanitised musical bubble of plasticine pop and dour divas, our town has a rich rock heritage stretching back to the days when musicians were politicised polemicists in obscenely tight trousers.

In the social upheaval of the late 1970s and early '80s, local bands with improbable names held court at one of the myriad live music venues spread liberally throughout the town.

Hooked on the primal DIY punk ethic that spoke to so many disenchanted youths during those interminably bleak days of Thatcherism, miners' strikes and recession, these young upstarts crafted three-chord catharses that articulated the fears, frustrations and anger of a generation.

As the *Star's* Sound Check column illustrates, Harlow still has a burgeoning music scene awash with youthful talent, but after the recent controversial changes to the town's musical Mecca The Square, many have been forced to ply their trade out of town, hitting overcrowded London sweatpits or playing 'homecoming' gigs eight miles down the A414 in Hertford.

So what happened to those halcyon days of self-made local heroes, independent record labels and packed-to-the-rafters rock contests?

One man who remembers the era with hazy affection is Richard Holgarth. Formerly guitarist and songwriter with Pete The Meat And The Boys and The Gangsters, he is now a member of pub rock legend Eddie And The Hot Rods and a key player in The Square One Partnership, spending much of his time in negotiations with Essex County Council over the future of Harlow's historic music venue.

"When I was in The Gangsters, we decided that the best way to get exposure for our music was to release stuff ourselves," he said. "That's when we came up with the idea of starting up Stortbeat Records in collaboration with another local group, The Sods, in the late '70s.

"It was literally a DIY operation back in those days and a reaction to some of the boring old brigade of pompous musicians. We were on the cusp of punk at the time and we were a fairly popular band in the Harlow area. We knew plenty of other local groups who deserved to have their music released and it seemed like the obvious thing to do."

The business was very much a pioneering project, and not only in the context of Harlow. Other labels in their infancy at the time included Rough Trade, Stiff and Cherry Red, all of which have enjoyed varying degrees of success since and remain operational to this day.

"Stortbeat was the first in Harlow, along with No Wonder Records which was the New Town Neurotics'



By
CHRIS MOSS

own label. But whereas they only released their own music, we started putting out records by several other local bands – including The Licks, The Rabbits and The Spellin Misteaks.

"We started up at the same time as some of the independent labels that have since made it big, like Rough Trade and Stiff, for example. At that time in the late '70s, we were all on a par with one another and it was just bad luck really that we didn't make it to the same position they're in today."

Although it struggled to continue after the punk explosion began to die down in the early 1980s, Stortbeat nevertheless spawned a host of imitators in the area, including Airplay and Davy Lamp. The latter was set up in the wake of the miners' strikes and *Not Just Mandela* – a protest album against Thatcher's planned pit closures featuring The New Town Neurotics, Eddie And The Hot Rods, The Housemartins and a young comedian by the name of Porky The Poet (aka Phil Jupitus) – was among the label's first releases.

So why was Harlow such a fertile breeding ground for this grass roots musical ethic? Richard believes the fact it was still a fairly young New Town played a vital part in the genesis of the vibrant music scene on which he fondly looks back.

"You've got to remember that Harlow was a very young town back in that period," he said. "It was still being referred to as Pram Town by some and I think this is where a lot of the energy and vibrancy came from."

"Back then, live music formed part of everyday life for everyone in the town. There were regular gigs at places like The Square, The Playbarns and Whispers (now Liquid), rock contests and massive free concerts in the Town Park where famous acts like Thin Lizzy and Hawkwind used to share the stage with us local bands."

"It really was inspirational and it used to make youngsters want to go and pick up a guitar and do it for themselves. Coupled with the fact that these were politically charged times, especially for the working classes, the town was a hotbed of musical creativity."

But what of today's bands? While there's no question of the real talent and passion on the scene, the ongoing controversy surrounding the future of The Square and the absence of any tailor-made replacement suggests a bleak future for local musicians.

"Harlow's a cultural desert at the moment," said Richard. "The Square's in trouble, Victoria Hall Theatre's in danger of closing and no-one seems to

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really know what's going on at The Playhouse. When you think of the amazing work Dick Kilburn (*head of entertainment development at Harlow Council during the '70s and '80s*) did for the arts in this town, the situation today is a sorry mess.

"Dick used to organise the annual rock contest and convince big name bands to come and play those fantastic free concerts in the park – it's a world away from what we have now, which is precious little. I really worry for the young musicians in this town; they're slowly being marginalised and soon won't have anywhere to go."

But one young band has taken it upon themselves to try to initiate a timely revival of the old DIY punk ethic. Anthemic post-rock wizards The Worldonfire have dusted off the blueprints of Stortbeat Records and given it a modern twist by exploiting the potential of the internet with the creation of their own label, Shedio.

"We knew about the old record labels set up in the '70s and '80s by bands like The Gangsters and it inspired us to do something similar for bands in Harlow today," said lead singer Dave Walsh.

"There are so many great musicians in the town and plenty of people who want to listen to them. But that's becoming more and more difficult as bands are being forced to play elsewhere."

"We put our recent homecoming gig on at the Hertford Marquee, because the fact they've shut the bar at The Square and turned it into a youth club alienates a lot of our audience."

"Although websites like MySpace.com have helped bands to get their music out there, we know that most fans prefer to own something tangible like a record or CD, which is why we set up Shedio."

"We've just put out our debut album on the label and secured online UK distribution through the likes of HMV and Amazon and, hopefully, we can go on to help many other local groups do the same."

To DIY or not to DIY? As long as there are still people like Dave and Richard to inspire, there's no reason why other musicians can't follow.

And if the debacle engulfing The Square ever gets resolved in favour of those who care most about the venue, we might just see a return to the electrifying days of punk folklore that gave our humble town a tangible sense of identity and purpose.



MUSICAL HERITAGE: Above, Richard Holgarth with some of the Stortbeat and Davy Lamp releases (photo:GDD7YHHV/03); left, a poster for one of the biTown Park gigs (s)

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the guide



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Tom Cruise's latest guns
for the War on Terror's
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arts diary

POETRY: The horrors of war and how those affected find consolation are depicted in this collection of readings, reflections, poetry and music by Figur'd Shade. One of the group's own writers, Sue Powell, presents *War, Peace and Waterlilies* at St John's Arc, off Market Street, Old Harlow, on Sunday at 6.30pm. Tickets are £12 (£10 concs) from (01279) 442447.

MUSIC: The Jive Aces bring their high energy show to The Playhouse tomorrow (Friday) at 8pm, performing songs made famous by Bobby Darin, Louis Prima and Sammy Davis Jr. Tickets are £12 (£10 concs) from (01279) 431945.

CHILDREN: Youngsters can go on a madcap chase across the globe when Theatre Sans Frontières brings its brand of cultural fun to The Playhouse on Tuesday at 10.30am and 1.30pm. The introduction to the French and French-speaking nations is aimed at those aged 7-11. Tickets are £6 from (01279) 431945.

MUSIC: Rock'n'roll legend Marty Wilde returns to The Playhouse with his Wildcats to present a trip down a musical *Memory Lane* on Saturday. The show starts at 8pm and tickets are £15 from (01279) 431945.

DRAMA: The pipe, violin and deerstalker can be seen when the curtain goes up on *Sherlock Holmes – The Last Act* at The Playhouse on Wednesday at 8pm. The great detective tries to confront his own psyche on a return trip to Baker Street. Tickets are £10 (£8 concs - £6 schools).

ART: The geese are getting fat, which means the time has come around again for Pardon Mill Gallery, off Elizabeth Way, to open the doors to its free Christmas exhibition *Present Arts* from today (Thursday). For more information, call the gallery on (01279) 426042.

gig guide

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REVIEW

ELECTRA

Playhouse Theatre Company, Playhouse Studio, Harlow

LAURENCE Sach's devastating, exemplary take on Frank McGuinness's version of *Electra* is a triumphant translation of Sophocles' masterful tragedy of love, bloodlust and revenge.

The story of one woman's anguish and desperate desire to avenge her father's death, its central theme remains potent to this day and lends itself well to Irish playwright McGuinness's sometimes colloquial, often powerfully poetic adaptation.

Exploring an endless cycle of violent revenge symptomatic of humanity's most base, eye-for-an-eye mentality, the play deals in the polarised extremities of human emotion – anguish and joy – while reminding us of their inherent transience. Electra (the remarkable Kate Millner) is a woman consumed by an obsessive desire to avenge her father Agamemnon's murder at the cruel hands of her mother, Clytemnestra (the wonderfully stoic Gillie Tatnall).

Alienated from her family through her unrelenting grief and treated no better than a servant, Electra clings to the faltering hope that her absent brother, Orestes (the brooding Martin Colton), will one day return from afar with revenge on his mind.

When news of Orestes' apparent death reaches the Palace of Mycenae through an enigmatic stranger (David Schacht), an inconsolable Electra all but gives up hope and descends into an increasingly hysterical madness.

But Orestes soon appears at the palace intent on a final act of vengeance, revealing the stranger's tale to be part of an elaborate ruse to catch his mother and her new husband, Aegisthus (Tony Saxby), off-guard.

Millner made a truly heartbreakng Electra, giving an astonishingly raw depiction of the corrosive effect that years of mourning has had on her mind, soul and body as she teeters on the brink of insanity.

Tatnall exuded jaded glamour and thinly veiled paranoia as Clytemnestra, while Colton gave a powerful, vital performance as the returning hero



LADY VENGEANCE: Electra (Kate Millner), left, and Chrysothemis (Danielle Lamb) in a scene from ELECTRA

who will inevitably have to give up his life as the bloody cycle continues.

This truly was a beautifully crafted, enthrallingly melodramatic take on a classic tale, its exploration of primal human emotions and fears resolutely withstanding the ravages of time and fickle fashion.

Chris Moss

● ELECTRA continues nightly at 7.45pm in The Playhouse Studio.

Tickets priced £10 (£8 concessions, £6 for schools) are available from the box office on (01279) 431945.

Victoria Hall appeal is cranking up

THE fight to stop the curtain falling on an Old Harlow theatre has entered the final stages.

The Victoria Hall Performing Arts Association has until December 2008 to raise the £90,000 needed to buy the freehold for its Bury Road theatre from Essex County Council.

It have so far managed to raise more than £10,000 via events such as a casino night and pamper evening.

Now, a sell-out cabaret from November 21-24 in memory of regular performer and director Johnny Wong, who died in a car crash in June, has boosted the fund by £4,000 in ticket sales alone for the four-night run.

A recipe book called *Cooking For Friends*, written by Johnny who once appeared on television as a contestant on *Masterchef*, has also been designed and printed for free and this, together with cakes and

chutneys from his recipes, will be on sale during the shows.

Fundraiser Caroline Petherbridge said: "The theatre is inviting businesses in Harlow to come forward and become corporate sponsors of the theatre.

"There are many benefits of doing this, apart from the publicity it will give them.

"The theatre is also organising an auction, a fete and an abseil down Church Langley's water tower."

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War on Terror's idealism goes under microscope

MAN WITH A PLAN: Tom Cruise plays an ambitious politician whose schemes have a negative impact on the battlefield in *LIONS FOR LAMBS* (s)



BESIEGED with vitriolic criticism from right-wing American critics, Hollywood's favourite liberal luvvie Robert Redford has certainly kicked up a fuss with the release of this anti-war movie.

Ignoring the temptation to focus on heroic American soldiers thrown into the unknown by faceless bureaucrats, Redford instead takes an holistic approach to the War on Terror in a three-stranded plot.

When two determined students at a West Coast University, Arian (Derek Luke) and Ernest (Michael Pena), follow the advice of their idealistic professor Dr. Malley (Redford) and attempt to do something

LIONS FOR LAMBS

Certificate: 15
Running time: 1h32m

important with their lives, they decide to join the battle in Afghanistan.

While Malley is touched by their dedication, the liberal-minded professor is less enamoured with their choice of vocation and struggles to come to terms with the fact he has provided the motivation for their bold choice.

As the two impressionable young soldiers battle for survival in the field, their tale provides the link between two contemporaneous yet seemingly disparate stories unfolding on opposite sides of the

United States.

In California, the anguished Malley attempts to galvanise a privileged slacker student into action by telling him about his former charges now fighting overseas, while in Washington DC, presidential hopeful Senator Jasper Irving (Tom Cruise, in career-best form) displays George Bush-like bullishness when he announces a misguided change of strategy that will directly affect the disillusioned don's former students.

Far too complex a piece of cinema to be dismissed as a riff on bleeding-heart liberalism, Redford's assured direction and Michael Carnahan's smart script ask serious questions about misplaced political idealism without resorting to offering trite, over-sentimentalised answers.

sound check with Chris Moss

YOU may have thought that the UK's closest approximation to the poisoned chalice of stoner rock took a Slowdive into Ned's Atomic Dustbin (sorry, I couldn't resist) sometime back in the early '90s, but the snappily monikered ORGAZMATRON are keeping the true spirit of the oft-misunderstood genre alive and well with their feral, fuzzed-out guitar freakery. With a turbulent, disorientating sound that often takes a midnight joyride into Queens Of The Stone

Age territory, the explosive five-piece are back after a two-year hiatus that saw band members experimenting with different projects. Currently holed up in the studio perfecting their debut EP due to be released next month, lead singer Reece Jones told *Sound Check* to expect a barrage of gigs in the new year to promote the release.

"Things will really start to kick off during 2008, but we've got a couple more gigs on the horizon before the

year is out including an unconfirmed date at The Square in December," he said. "We've built up quite a reputation locally for our explosive wall of sound and manic live set, so keep checking the website for more info!"

Band: ORGAZMATRON
From: Harlow
Who they? Reece Jones (vocals), Shaun Clark (lead guitar), James Street (rhythm guitar), Dale Bradbury (drums)
Sounds like: The distant rumble of a fast-approaching guitar army hell-bent on making your ears bleed
Website: www.myspace.com/orgazmatron



CD reviews by Ben Wilkinson, Jim

THE CAKE SALE

Various Artists (album, Oxfam)

The problem with charity records is that they're often not very good – the usual multi-millionaire suspects churning out rejected B-sides and collectively guilt-tripping the public into buying them because of the worthier-than-thou sentiment. But Oxfam may have just bucked the trend with this unexpected gem, featuring contributions from lesser-known musicians and coursing with a tenderness that genuinely moves. Compiled by members of Bell XI and Crowded House, it's a gentle, folksy album of thoughtful mid-tempo ballads varied by the polarised vocal styles of the collaborators yet remains strangely cohesive.

FEARS IN THE WATER

The Vincent Black Shadow (album, Bodog)

Unapologetically burlesque, the debut album from the Canadian rockers is unfortunately more cardboard cabaret than seductive showgirl display. Fronted by pouting Gwen Stefani-like Cassandra Ford, their sound exists somewhere between the melodrama of No Doubt and the cod-grit rock of Garbage. Named after the famed motorcycle, the band's formulaic rock



A comedy of many errors

GOOD LUCK CHUCK

Certificate: 15
Running time: 1h39m

FIRST-time director Mark Helfrich seems unable to solve that common debut feature dilemma – should he make a soppy rom-com, a gross-out comedy or a soft-core slapstick flick?

In fact, he eventually decided on all three, but with fists like enormous sides of ham and a preoccupation with crude scatological gags, he succeeds in producing one of the poorest comedies of recent years.

Casting unfunny funnyman Dane Cook as his leading man is the first in a string of fatal errors that will inevitably consign this film to the secondhand bins at Blockbuster upon its inevitable slide onto a quick DVD release. Cook follows his director's lead and hams it up to the max as the eponymous hero suffering from a curse that has made him wildly popular with desperate single women: anyone who sleeps with him meets their true love the next day.

A somewhat shaky premise to base an entire film upon, Helfrich mixes it up by throwing in the impossibly attractive and improbably angelic Jessica Alba, *pictured above*, as a love interest with whom Charlie tries his best to avoid getting intimate for fear of the curse striking again.

Meanwhile, for no apparent reason whatsoever, Charlie's perverted flatmate (Dan Fogler) spends most of his free time having sex with grapefruit and talking about eating excrement. Avoid at all costs.

also showing

ELIZABETH: THE GOLDEN AGE. Cate Blanchett returns as the Virgin Queen in this good-looking if historically inaccurate epic as she struggles to retain absolute rule.

30 DAYS OF NIGHT. A remote Alaskan town is besieged by bloodthirsty vampires hell-bent on an orgy of violence as it succumbs to its annual 30 days of darkness.

SAW IV. The latest in the successful horror franchise sees the sadistic killer Jigsaw continue his sinister death games from beyond the grave.

STARDUST. In a countryside town bordering on a magical land, a young lovesick man makes a promise to his needy sweetheart that he'll retrieve a fallen star for her.

RATATOUILLE. Very funny animation about an epicurean rat who gets into a French kitchen and teaches the down-at-heels chef how to be a real culinary genius.

SHREK THE THIRD. When his new father-in-law, King Harold falls ill, Shrek is looked on as the heir.

THE FANTASTIC FOUR: THE RISE OF THE SILVER SURFER. The sky-surfing herald of the all-powerful Galactus comes to Earth to prepare it for its devastation.

EVAN ALMIGHTY. Hit-and-miss sequel to the similarly inconsistent *Bruce Almighty*, in which a man is told by God to build an Ark in a modern-day comic retelling of the Biblical tale.

preview

BEOWULF. The eponymous warrior must fight and defeat the grotesque monster Grendel who is terrorising local towns in this lush motion-capture adaptation of the epic Anglo-Saxon poem.

monday classic

LA VIE EN ROSE. A frustrated schoolmaster cannot command respect from anyone, not even his students. When he falls in love with Colette Richard, he is ultimately left heartbroken when she is whisked away by a young lover, leaving him suicidal.

Tanfield and Chris Moss

riffage and over-indulgent diva posturing reduce the album to an inconsequential MOR yawn.

UNTITLED MUSICAL PROJECT

Untitled Musical Project (album, Tigertrap)

This supposed long-player clocks in at a little over 15 minutes. Well, like ironic, yah? But then that was to be expected from their oh-so-sarcastic name, a theme which runs into the ridiculous titles of their stupidly short jerky "punk" songs (ie, *I May Not Be Jimi Hendrix But At Least I'm Still Alive*). Pretentious nonsense for people more interested in fashion than music.

HIDING INSIDE THE HORRIBLE WEATHER

My American Heart (album, Bodog)

It must have been awful inventing the telephone only to realise the bloke in the next room was already talking to his mum in Australia. That's kind of what happened with these guys, whose sk8 rock release feels just a little behind the times. There are no standout tunes and the whole thing descends into a boring, homogenous over-pitched blob.

Paul Newman reviews a selection of the latest releases on DVD

Scaling the heights of endurance

THE BECKONING SILENCE

(4DVD, PG, retail)

Joe Simpson's astonishing, gruelling struggle to survive a mountaineering accident in Peru in which he was first left dangling in freezing space before being cut loose to fall into a glacier and agonising crawl with a shattered leg for help was related in his book *Touching The Void* and subsequently adapted into the remarkable documentary of the same name. Now he's back to tell the story of another accident, one which first spurred him to climb and to which his own brush with death bears uncanny resemblance. But the story of Toni Kurz and his three friends who came desperately unstuck while attempting to conquer the north face of the Eiger in 1936 is not one of miraculous survival against the odds, more one of despair and endurance as the implacable mountain claimed them one by one.

Their route up the Eiger is retraced via a combination of short climbs by Simpson himself and convincing period reconstructions, from the team's initial euphoria as they looked like cracking it until a random accident forces them to retrace their route to the point where they realise they've made a tragic and deadly mistake.

As the brutal conditions take their toll and Kurz finds himself the last man alive, suspended in space with one dead friend hanging beneath and another above anchoring him, it's impossible not to root for him to somehow survive, particularly as rescuers are just shouting distance away.

Simpson, pictured right, remains an engaging, matter-of-fact guide throughout, ensuring his own tale never eclipses the historical story he's telling and sufficiently insightful and honest to admit that there's absolutely no rational justification for climbing perilous great chunks of rock and ice.

Extras include a making-of and an interview with climber Chris Bonington about the Eiger's north face.

Star rating: ★★★

MASTERS OF HORROR: SERIES 2, VOLUME 1

(Starz Home Entertainment, 18, retail)

A partial review of this set a few weeks ago (necessitated by the postal strikes) found much to admire in Stuart Gordon's masterful adaptation of Edgar Allan Poe's *The Black Cat* and Dario Argento's stomach-flipping tale of nature's apt revenge *Pelts*.

Now the remaining five of the seven discs in this set have arrived and it's pleasing to report they are, by and large, a blast.

Joe Dante delivered the first season's political highlight with the Iraq/zombie story *Homecoming* and takes that accolade again with *The Screwfly Solution*, a disturbing and mostly credible account (until a rather unconvincing left-field twist) of a world ravaged by an epidemic which drives men to frenziedly assault and kill women until the species itself teeters on the brink of extinction.

Rob Schmidt's *Right To Die* takes its cue from the real life case of Terry Schiavo in 2005, with the excellent Martin Donovan as a dentist whose incredibly hot but domineering wife Julia Anderson is flambéed in a car accident. He's all for turning off the life-support – until



discovering that every time she flatlines her vengeful soul is able to come after him.

Series creator Mick Garris contributes an excellent haunting (or is it?) from an original Clive Barker story in *Valerie On The Stairs*, as a failed novelist washes up in a haven for unpublished writers and finds himself encountering the mysterious but sexually tangible young woman of the title. The misdirection is very well handled and although the ending may be a pure steal from Fritz Lieber's *Our Lady Of Darkness*, it's a poetic stroke that works perfectly.

John Landis evidently had his tongue wiggling in cheek again for *Family*, casting George Wendt (Norm from *Cheers*) as a horny suburban serial killer obsessed with constructing a proxy family (a very gooey business) who bites off a little more than he can chew with his latest candidates.

After making the very impressive, offbeat and gruesome *Cigarette Burns* for the first season, John Carpenter is a bit of a disappointment here. *Pro-life* quite bravely engages with the pro-choice/anti-abortion debate by having a women's health centre under siege from a gun-toting Christian extremist (Ron Perlman) and his sons for giving refuge to his 15-year-old daughter, whose illegitimate pregnancy may very well have demonic origins, but the characterisation is too clichéd and events too implausible to really pull you in.

All in all, this is a strong set with something for every horror fan, and each episode comes with a couple of making-of featurettes, commentaries, biographies and scripts.

Star rating: ★★★★

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9 PM

9.00 **Have I Got News For You**. Michael Aspel hosts the satirical news quiz, with guest panellists Sara Cox. 8731
9.30 **The Armstrong & Miller Show**. The politically incorrect sat-nav gives a hapless driver its frank views on the state of the nation. Comedy sketch show, with Alexander Armstrong. 76422

10 PM

10.00 **BBC News** 981248
10.25 **Regional News; Weather** 416192
10.35 **Friday Night With Jonathan Ross**. Anthony Hopkins discusses his role in the Beowulf. Jimmy Carr talks about his new stand-up DVD, and Katy Brand drops in for a chat. Foo Fighters perform their latest single. 855977

11 PM

11.35 **Film: The Last Castle (2001)**. Court-martialled military man Robert Redford is sent to a high security jail where warden James Gandolfini keeps order through terror. Thriller, co-starring Mark Ruffalo; Weatherview 77499489
1.45 **Celebrity Scissorhands**. Famous faces train as hair and beauty experts. 267749
2.45 **Sign Zone: Top Gear**. Jools Holland guests. (R) 354229
3.45 **Sign Zone: You Can't Fire Me, I'm Famous**. Piers Morgan talks to Jade Goody. (R) 3424045
4.30 **BBC News** 24 98039

BBC 2

**The Tudors – King Henry's dislike for the Catholic Church intensifies**

6.00 CBeebies 76170 7.00 CBBC (R) 31606 8.30 CBeebies: In The Night Garden (R) 69644 9.00 Me Too! 4014539 9.20 Pingu (R) 5082828 9.30 CBeebies Autumnwatch 83712 10.00 Finley The Fire Engine 2993199 10.15 Numberjacks (R) 2976422 10.30 Schools: Look And Read 3412538 10.50 BBC Primary History (R) 3425002 11.10 Maths Channel (R) 7525880 11.20 Maths Channel (R) 7549460 11.30 What? Where? Why? How? 1828644 11.45 Something Special (R) 1823199 12.00 The Daily Politics 63460 12.30 Working Lunch 52557 1.30 Bowls: International Open. 83583644 3.15 Escape To The Country (R) 261083 3.45 Flog It! 6946712 4.30 Food Poker 1936170 5.15 Weakest Link (R) 7007267 6.00 Eggheads 557 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two 809

7.00 **Run On The Bank: Northern Crock**. Part one of two. Potential buyers now wait eagerly in the wings. 5286
7.30 **Never Say Die**. The UK's leading comparative imagery specialists attempt to help a woman prove that an emaciated soldier pictured in a World War Two photograph is actually her father. 793

8.00 **A Passion For Plants**. Verbascums make their first appearance at Wisley in Surrey. (R) 1606
8.30 **Gardeners' World**. Advice on treating the garden during the winter months, including the introduction of bright spring colours and tending to late blooming flowers. Last in series. 3441

9.00 **The Tudors**. As Henry's confidence grows, his displeasure with the Catholic Church's handling of his request for a divorce from Catherine of Aragon intensifies. This leaves Cardinal Wolsey in an ever weaker position, vulnerable to his foes and fearful that the king is being influenced by others. 7731

10.00 **QI**. Stephen Fry hosts the quiz show in which points are rewarded for the most impressive answers, with contestants Alan Davies, Jimmy Carr, Phillip Jupitus and David Mitchell. 71489
10.30 **Newsnight** 57809

ITV1

**Emmerdale: The Dingle Family Album – Profile of the famous family**

6.00 GMTV 7786489 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show 1420847 10.30 This Morning 9902 12.30 Loose Women. Heartbeat's Lisa Kay (Nurse Carol Cassidy) guests. 49083 1.30 ITV Lunchtime News 80625 2.00 60 Minute Makeover 73248 3.00 Rosemary Shrager's School For Cooks. Amateur cooks compete for a place in the semi-finals. 5880 3.59 London Weather 8350880 4.00 Midsomer Murders. Part one of two. Barnaby and Troy investigate an inexplicable murder. Concludes on Monday. (R) 4915 5.00 The Great Pretender. Chris Tarrant hosts the ultimate game of duplicity and bluff - part quiz and part psychological face-off - in which it's best not to appear too clever. 1083 6.00 London Tonight; Weather 593 6.30 ITV Evening News; Weather 335

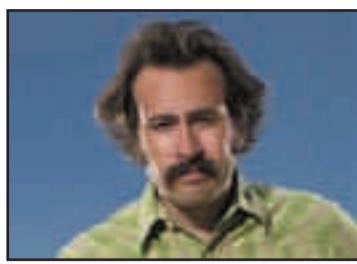
7.00 **Emmerdale: The Dingle Family Album** 2. Matthew Kelly takes a close look at the wilder antics of the Dingle clan's wayward youngsters. 2712
7.30 **Coronation Street**. Fiz is delighted when John agrees to move in with her, and Leanne takes Sarah on as a part-time waitress. 847

8.00 **The Waste Watchers: Tonight** Local councils accused of wasting taxpayers' money. 1460
8.30 **Doc Martin. Bird-spotters invade Portwenn**. Aunt Joan keeps quiet about a rare bird nesting on her land for fear of attracting egg thieves. Drama, starring Martin Clunes. (R) 71016

10.30 **ITV News; Weather** 830793

SATELLITE AND FREEVIEW

CHANNEL 4

**My Name Is Earl – Jason Lee stars in the hilarious comedy series**

6.10 **The Hoobs** (R) 7875606 6.35 **The Hoobs** (R) 5884847 7.00 **Freshly Squeezed** 10903 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond (R) 26828 8.00 **Just Shoot Me** (R) 55441 8.30 **Will & Grace** (R) 54712 9.00 **Frasier** (R) 45064 9.30 **Vocation, Vocation, Vocation; 3 Minute Wonder** (R) 78880 10.00 **Teen Tycoons**; (R) 3 Minute Wonder (R) 56719 10.30 **Tricky Business**; (R) **Inuit Olympics** (R) 41248 11.00 **The Market**; (R) 3 Minute Wonder: Is It Just Me (R) 8977 11.30 **Day I Got The Sack**; (R) **National Gallery** (R) 9606 12.00 **News At Noon** 65828 12.30 **Room For Improvement** (R) 47625 1.30 **Great British Brands** (R) 63783880 1.50 **Film: Odd Girl Out** (2005) 61274712 3.25 **Countdown** 9386625 4.15 **Deal Or No Deal** 3070793 5.00 **The Paul O'Grady Show** 9625 6.00 **The Simpsons** (R) 625 6.30 **Hollyoaks** 977

7.00 **Channel 4 News** 577064
7.35 **Unreported World**. Sandra Jordan and Siobhan Sinnerton report from Jaffna on the latest developments in Sri Lanka's civil war, as a new hard-line nationalist government attempts to drive the Tamil Tigers, a secessionist corps, from the north of the country. 348083

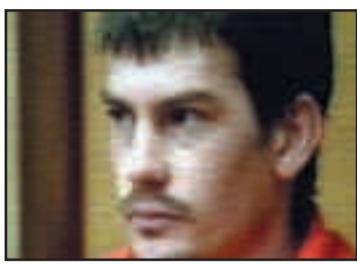
8.00 **A Place In The Sun: Home Or Away**. Jonnie Irwin and Jasmine Harman lend their advice to Hampshire couple Joy and Leithan Craddick as they attempt to decide between settling down in Wales and France. The Brecon Beacons would place them near to their daughter, who is studying at Cardiff University. 9335

9.00 **Ugly Betty**. Daniel has a meeting with a vivacious advertiser with a taste for younger men, and his prying into Betty's secret date with Henry sees him mistakenly give two free tickets for Wickied to Gio - who is reluctant to give them up. Guest starring Freddy Rodriguez and David Blue. 9199

10.00 **My Name Is Earl**. Dejected at being refused a credit card because he doesn't have a job. 66557
10.30 **Comedy Showcase: Free Agents**. Black comedy about two talent agents recovering from personal traumas. Only by putting aside their miserable pasts can they find a future together. 838335

10.00 **Law & Order**. Briscoe and Green are convinced that former career criminal Cally Lonegan has killed his business partner who had been stealing company money. However, their suspect has a cast iron alibi - he is a Mob informant and at the time of the murder was being followed by the FBI. (R) 3625557

FIVE

**Most Evil – Westley Dodd is among the serial killers featured**

6.00 **Mikshakel** (R) 7174606 9.00 **The Wright Stuff** 7913731 10.30 **Trisha Goddard** 6347996 11.30 **Five News 2269083** 12.00 **Home And Away** 4228538 12.30 **Dingo Attack** (R) 6347172 1.30 **Russell Grant's Postcards** (R) 50844101 1.40 **Film: Sweet Hostage** (1975). Weak drama, based loosely on Nathaniel Benchley's novel **Welcome to Xanadu**, starring Martin Sheen, Linda Blair, Jeanne Cooper and Bert Remsen. 50606441 3.40 **Five News Update** 13787712 3.45 **Film: The Hollywood Mom's Mystery** (2004). Comedy drama, starring Justine Bateman and Andrew McCarthy. 7191083 5.30 **Five News 3938688** 6.00 **Home And Away**. Jazz tries to prevent Drew finding out about his inheritance. (R) 3630581 6.30 **Home And Away**. Dom schemes to split Drew and Belle up. 6988903

7.00 **Five News 9856538**
7.30 **Will Work For Nuts**. Wildlife experts Lloyd Buck, Matt Thompson and James Cooper devise challenges to be completed by animals using their specific abilities. The gang attempt to outrun a peregrine falcon, the fastest creature on the planet. 1652257

8.00 **Nick Baker's Weird Creatures**. Naturalist Nick Baker, along with his angling enthusiast father, travels from the Withy Pool in East Sussex to the River Ebro in Spain to test his mettle against the wels catfish, known as the largest freshwater fish in the Western world. 3602606

9.00 **NCIS**. The team investigate the disappearance of a Marine and discover three former members of his unit have been killed recently, leading them to suspect the commander may be a serial killer. Drama, starring Mark Harmon. (R) 3615170

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11.00 **Most Evil**. Michael Stone profiles deviant killers, including Jerome Brudos, Jeffrey Dahmer and Westley Dodd, who murdered scores of men, women and children. Last in series. 4169625

12.00 **Quiz Call**. Interactive game show giving viewers the chance to phone in and answer questions for cash prizes. 21418045
5.10 **Wildlife SOS**. The work of volunteers treating sick, injured and orphaned animals. (R) 24788774
5.35 **Wildlife SOS**. The work of volunteers at an animal sanctuary. (R) 55148958

**Pulp Fiction, UKTV Gold, 10.30pm**

Rockford Files 10.55 Due South 11.55 Cagney And Lacey 12.55 Abraham Lincoln 1.55 Heartbeat 3.00 The Rockford Files 4.00 Due South 5.00 Great Garden Detectives 6.00 Our New Life In Everwood 7.00 Rising Damp 7.30 Rising Damp 7.55 Pie In The Sky 9.00 Film: Dr Strangelove – Or How I Learned To Stop Worrying And Love The Bomb (1963). Starring Peter Sellers in three roles. Including Entertainment News Update. 11.00 Tales Of The Unexpected 11.35 Tales Of The Unexpected 12.10 The Jasper

Carrott Show 12.40 Taggart 2.55 Rising Damp 3.20 Rising Damp 3.45 Film File 4.00 Teleshopping

ITV4

6.00 **Randall And Hopkirk (Deceased)** 7.00 Space 1999 8.00 **The Contender** 9.00 **The Contender** 10.00 **The Best Of Tarrant On TV** 10.30 **Film: Stakeout** (1987). 1.00 **Police, Cam-era, Action!** 1.30 **Police, Camera, Action!** 2.00 **Video Justice** 2.30 **Dinner For Five** 3.00 **Millen-nium** 3.55 **ITV4 Nightscreen** 4.00 Teleshopping

E4

6.00 **Anything Goes** 8.00 **Mutya – More Than Just A Little Bit** 9.00 **Nothing But Jumpin' Jacks** 10.00 **Like The Flaming Lips? You'll Love This** 11.00 **Fresh Films** 11.55 **Scrubs** 12.20 **Scrubs** 12.50 **Desperate Housewives** 1.40 **The OC** 2.35 **The OC** 3.25 **Shipwrecked** 2007: **Battle Of The Islands** 4.25 **Hollyoaks** 5.00 **Friends** 5.30 **Friends** 6.00 **Scrubs** 6.30 **Scrubs** 7.00 **Hollyoaks** 7.30 **The War At Home** 8.00 **Friends** 8.30 **Friends** 9.00 **Wife Swap** 10.00 **Wife Swap**: The Aftermath 10.35 **Film: Rat Race** (2001). Madcap comedy, starring Seth Green. 12.40 **Scrubs** 1.10 **Scrubs** 1.40 **The OC** 2.25 **The OC** 3.10 **Desperate Housewives** 3.50 **Shipwrecked** 2007: **Battle Of The Islands** 4.50 **Switched** 5.10 **Switched** 5.15 **Switched** 5.35 **Switched**

MORE4
9.00 **Deal Or No Deal** 9.45 **How Clean Is Your House?** 10.10 **How Clean Is Your House?** 10.40 **A Place In The Sun** 11.10 **Film: The Thomas Crown Affair** (1968). 1.10 **Deal Or No Deal** 2.00 **ER** 3.00 **Hill Street Blues** 4.00 **Location, Location, Location** 5.05 **The Property Chain** 6.05 **Deal Or No Deal** 7.00 **Grand Designs Abroad** 8.00 **More4 News** 8.30 **The Daily Show With Jon Stewart** 9.00 **Without A Trace** 10.00 **ER** 11.00 **Thinking XXX** 12.00 **The Sopranos** 1.10 **TV Heaven, Telly Hell** 1.40 **The Daily Show With Jon Stewart** 2.05 **Countdown** 2.50 **Close**

UKTV GOLD
6.00 **Neighbours** 6.30 **EastEnders** 7.10 **As Time Goes By** 8.15 **EastEnders** 9.00 **The Bill** 10.00 **Film: Columbo: Mind Over Mayhem** (1974). 11.30 **Murder, She Wrote** 12.30 **Only Fools And Horses** 1.10 **Porridge** 1.50 **The Thin Blue Line** 2.30 **Film: Columbo: Mind Over Mayhem** (1974). 4.00 **Murder, She Wrote** 5.00 **Only Fools And Horses** 5.40 **Porridge** 6.20 **The Thin Blue Line** 7.00 **New Tricks** 8.00 **Dancing With The Stars** 9.20 **Dancing With The Stars** 10.20 **EuroMillions: Boom Bang Bang** 10.30 **Film: Pulp Fiction** (1994). 1.20 **Prison Break** 2.15

Your stars with
Patrick Arundell
in our pages through the week ahead

Aries Mar 21-Apr 20

Your ruling planet is the feisty Mars and through to Christmas it twists backwards in your home and family sector. You may have to ward off a touch of irritability, or a tendency to get overly frustrated if things don't go exactly to plan. This week a friend can disappoint. But then are you set to be rather too sensitive or will a partner be gruff? Call me to handle this week's tricky Quarter Moon.

Taurus Apr 21-May 21

It can seem that however much you try to please someone, they're determined to take what you say the wrong way. Someone older could be a prime example. So, if you're set to deal with an authority figure this week it may be wise to watch your Ps and Qs. You don't have to be subservient but choosing your words carefully makes sense. Call to hear why words need care from now.

Gemini May 22-Jun 21

Once we start to take things for granted, life can deal us an unhelpful hand of cards. You'd be right to protect your interests, values, qualities and financial lot in the run-up to Christmas, but assume nothing and nothing will catch you out. Yet little is likely to pass you by this week, if you make sure that your time management is good. Call to hear why it's not good to volunteer.

Cancer Jun 22-Jul 23

You've shown a clean pair of heels to quite a few people in the last few weeks. Anyone who thought you were predictable has, in particular, had a surprise. Of course, you and I know, that once you get your teeth into a project you can be awesomely determined and assertively take the lead. Yet at home, do take account of the views of loved ones. Call me for your lovescope in full.

Leo Jul 24-Aug 23

Someone close can be moody, out of sorts, or hard to please. They may also have plenty to say on an emotional dilemma that you're facing. Because you're often so kindly it may disappoint that the same is not offered in return. Romantically, an old flame can back in touch. It's questionable you'll be pleased. A lot of emotions can get stirred. Call your Special Prediction Line for more detail.

Virgo Aug 24-Sept 23

A long-term plan can hit complications before the year is out, but rather than seeing this as being a set back, console yourself that no-one can have complete control of their circumstances. In a competitive arena such as work, a rival may spring a surprise that can rock you. This week, take steps to control stress with relaxing diversions. Call to hear why a group project can stumble.

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Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 20

Your competitive instincts have been aroused this last six weeks. This has probably found you feistier at work and more assertive in personal ties. Yet frustrations can creep in during the last six or seven weeks of 2007 and you'll need to watch this. Brace yourself that others can do and see things differently. You'll become less exasperated if so. Call me if true love seems out of reach.

Aquarius Jan 21-Feb 19

Not everyone appreciates your unique approach and professionally, or dealing with big organisations, is where you need to keep your wits. Energy can also be at a premium. You're better to focus more on less, because spreading yourself too thinly will be counterproductive. Yet if you concentrate hard, someone influential can be impressed. Call to hear why your health and fitness are so key now.

Pisces Feb 20-Mar 20

The course of true love is never smooth and this week you could find yourself signing up to this old concept, when a sudden change of circumstances can be triggered by a partner, or someone you've a strong attraction to. If you're still hoping to acquaint yourself with someone new, if you try too hard, the chance to get closer may squirm away. Call for your romantic scope in full detail.

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Saturday, November 10

BBC 1

**Match Of The Day – Gary Lineker**
presents all of today's highlights**7 PM****7.20 Robin Hood.** Robin discovers the black knights are descending on Nottingham to sign a pact against the King and realises the only way to prevent the monarch's capture is to join forces with Lord Winchester. However, just when the outlaw thinks he's succeeded he realises his ally is corrupt. 258229**8 PM****8.05 The National Lottery Draw** Bradley Walsh is joined by Nick Knowles for the all-important Thunderball, Dream Number and Lotto draws. 419132
8.15 Casualty. Charlie and Tess are furious at being asked to take redundancy. Anthony Flanagan, Jean Heywood and Lexi Strauss guest star. 976229**9 PM****9.05 Festival Of Remembrance.** In the presence of the Queen, the Royal British Legion pay tribute to the armed forces. Katherine Jenkins and fellow opera singer Alfie Boe perform alongside the military musicians of the Massed Bands of the Guards Division. Huw Edwards presents. 9477294**10 PM****10.40 BBC News; Weather;** National Lottery Update 314316

BBC 2

**Paul Merton's Silent Clowns – The host profiles Buster Keaton****11 PM****11.00 Match Of The Day.** Gary Lineker presents highlights of today's three Premier League fixtures – Derby County v West Ham United, Liverpool v Fulham and Sunderland v Newcastle United. 804300
12.10 Film: Halloween III: Season Of The Witch (1982). A psychotic toy-maker hatches a plot to slaughter the youth of America by sending powerful mind-altering messages through their TV sets. Horror thriller, starring Tom Atkins. 337701
1.45 Friday Night With Jonathan Ross. With Anthony Hopkins; Weatherview 8212492
2.50 BBC News 24 44577362

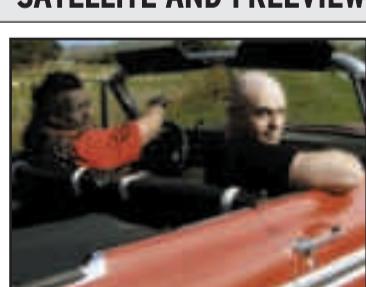
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**Kylie – The pop princess sings a selection of old and new songs****6.00 CBeebies: Fimbles** (R) 54126 **7.00 CBBC: Dogstar** 5687126 **7.25 Dennis The Menace** (R) 7329861 **7.45 Watch My Chops** (R) 9655148 **8.00 Hider In The House** (R) 92497 **9.00 TMi; Diddy Dick & Dom** (R) 41229 **10.30 Stupid** (R) 3872300 **10.55 The Story Of Tracy Beaker** (R) 3960519 **11.25 What's New Scooby-Doo?** (R) 9833381 **11.45 Sportsround** 1710671 **12.00 Animal Park** 8583687 **12.45 Film: Adam's Rib** (1949, b/w). Classic comedy. Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn star. 67481855 **2.20 Film** 2007 With Jonathan Ross (R) 21492942 **2.50 Film: A Walk To Remember** (2002) 97117382 **4.25 BBC Switch: Falcon Beach** 3970749 **5.10 BBC Switch: Sound** 1372942 **5.45 Heroes Unmasked** (R) 797861 **5.55 What The Papers Say** 920478 **6.05 Coal House** 208768 **6.35 Paul Merton's Silent Clowns** 470229**7.35 Poliakoff Night: Shooting The Past.** Conclusion of Stephen Poliakoff's three-part drama. Marilyn and Oswald discover some extraordinary stories among their collection of 10 million photographs. Timothy Spall, Liam Cunningham, Billie Whitelaw and Lindsay Duncan star. (R) 887300**8.35 Poliakoff Night: Stephen Poliakoff – A Culture Show Special.** Mark Kermode talks to the award-winning writer-director about the themes he explores in his work, including family and loneliness. Featuring contributions by actors including Michael Gambon, David Walliams and Ruth Wilson. 783749**8.15 All Star Family Fortunes.** Actress Angela Griffin and chef Antony Worrall Thompson's families battle it out against each other as Vernon Kay hosts the celebrity game show. The stars hope to win a prize of up to £30,000 to aid the charity of their choice. 162584**9.00 The X Factor – The Results.** Shayne Ward performs his new single in the studio and the viewers' verdict is revealed. 647126
9.35 The Kylie Show. The pop princess performs classic hits along with tracks from her new album X, which is released later this month. 911213**10.35 Parkinson.** The Veteran broadcaster continues the final series of his chat show. Formula One driver Lewis Hamilton discusses his first year in the hot seat actor Ian McKellen talks about his new West End role as King Lear, and impressionist Rory Bremner pops in for a chat. 9048854**11.40 ITV News And Weather; Weather** 381792 **12.00 Make Your Play.** Interactive game show offering viewers the chance to use their skill and judgement to win nightly cash prizes. 19742898
4.10 Antiques Auction. Lynda Bellingham lifts the lid on the world of antiques, revealing how to appraise items and bid with confidence. (R) 69351169
4.30 Antiques Auction. The daily workings of an auction house. (R) 62966
5.00 ITV Nightscreen. Behind the scenes of ITV programmes. 20492
5.30 ITV Morning News 32614**11.05 Lucas & Walliams' Perfect Night In** Little Britain stars Matt Lucas and David Walliams select the magical moments they think would make up a perfect night of TV. (R) 54250855
1.15 Film: American Splendor (2003). Premiere. Acclaimed comedy drama Starring Paul Giamatti and Hope Davis. 614343
3.00 4Music: Duplate Drama (R) 14375035
3.25 4Music: Transmission (R) 11125512
3.55 King Of The Hill 61608968
4.20 Monster Garage (R) 7082546
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**Codex – Tony Robinson hosts the quiz from the British Museum****6.10 The Hoobs** (R) 7779478 **6.35 The Hoobs** (R) 5851519 **7.00 Goalissimo** (R) 86836 **8.00 The Morning Line** 9485720 **8.55 T4: British Academy Video Games Awards** 2007 5799403 **10.00 T4: Friends** (R) 3591774 **10.35 T4: MobileAct Unsigned** (R) 8698836 **11.40 T4: Transmission** (R) 3170300 **12.20 T4: McFly: The T4 Special** 5032768 **1.00 T4: Charmed** (R) 64855 **2.00 Channel 4 Racing From Doncaster And Wincanton**. Derek Thompson and Lesley Graham presents live coverage of this afternoon's seven feature races, including the 3.45 totesportgames.com H'cap Stakes (2m 1/2f), 5720 **4.00 Red Bull Air Race 2007** 397910 **4.45 Time Team** (R) 330294 **5.45 Codex**. New series. Historical code-cracking quiz. 158720 **6.30 Channel 4 News** 420120**7.15 Deal Or No Deal.** Noel Edmonds hosts the game show in which contestants try to guess the values of mystery boxes holding as much as £250,000. 171126**8.00 Not Forgotten.** Ian Hislop explores the history of Britain's war memorials, talking to relatives of the deceased and considering the impact the conflicts had on society. He begins by travelling around the country to find out how – and why – so many monuments were erected. (R) 4155229**9.05 Film: My Best Friend's Wedding** (1997). Sparkling, hugely popular comedy, starring Julia Roberts as a food critic who is devastated to hear her best friend is getting married, and sets out to wreck his relationship. Cameron Diaz and Dermot Mulroney co-star as the bride and groom-to-be. 32004519**10.05 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.** The police take custody of a boy who they suspect is being abused by his mentally ill mother following her husband's death during a robbery. A lack of evidence means the child must be returned home, but he is then found dead the next day. 2780855**11.05 Criminal Minds.** A young girl is abducted from a playground in broad daylight. The team initially suspect the victim's father but, when he is able to provide an alibi, they need to find more evidence. (R) 2838107**12.05 Quiz Call.** Interactive game show giving viewers the chance to phone in and answer questions for cash prizes. 2131188**5.10 Wildlife SOS.** The work of an animal sanctuary. (R) 24682546
5.35 Wildlife SOS. The work of an animal sanctuary. (R) 55035430

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**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit – Mariska Hargitay stars****6.00 Sunrise** 9954497 **7.00 Milkshake!** Hi-5 (R) 6630497 **7.35 Hana's Helpline** (R) 2684652 **7.50 Make Way For Noddy** (R) 9398958 **8.10 Harry And His Bucket Full Of Dinosaurs** 5442774 **8.25 The Book Of Pooh** (R) 4467316 **8.55 Roobarb And Custard Too** (R) 9520497 **9.05 Mio Mao** (R) 8081584 **9.15 The Adventures Of Bottle Top Bill And His Best Friend Corky** (R) 8061720 **9.30 Franklin** (R) 2360519 **10.00 The Gadget Show** (R) 4062768 **11.00 Football Italiano Highlights** 2162126 **11.30 Wild Events** (R) 5522836 **12.05 Film: The Gnome-Mobile** (1967). Children's fantasy with Walter Brennan. 4545346 **1.40 Film: Columbo: A Case Of Immunity** (1975). Drama, starring Peter Falk. 69829671 **3.10 Film: Santa Fe** (1951) 97376381 **4.45 Film: A Bridge Too Far** (1977). Drama, with Dirk Bogarde. 42947381**SATELLITE AND FREEVIEW**
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6.00 Pop Years 7.00 Oliver Beene 8.00 Dragon Booster 8.30 Futurama 9.00 Soccer AM 12.00 Brainiac: Science Abuse 1.00 Vroom Vroom 2.00 Futurama 3.00 Futurama 3.30 Cirque De Celebrite 5.00 A Town Called Eureka 6.00 A Town Called Eureka 7.00 Stargate Atlantis 8.00 The Simpsons 8.30 The Simpsons 9.00 Ross Kemp On Gangs 10.00 Nothing But The Truth 11.00 British Sex 12.00 Street Wars 1.00 Dom Joly's Happy Hour 1.50 Road Wars 2.40 Street Wars 3.30 Football's Hardest Away Days 4.20 Full Force Nature 5.10 Guilty!
BBC3
7.00 Three's Out-Takes 7.05 The Real Hustle 7.35 Mind, Body & Kick Ass Moves 8.05 Top Gear 9.05 Little Britain 9.35 Film: High School Musical (2006). Two teenagers from radically different backgrounds discover a shared love of singing and dancing, and set out to grab the lead roles in the school play. Drama, starring Zac Efron. 11.10 Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps 11.40 Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps 12.10 It's Adam And Shelley 12.40 Singing With The Enemy 1.40 The Real Hustle 2.10 Celebrity Scissorhands Uncut 4.25 The Real Hustle 4.55 Close**BBC4**
7.00 Smiley's People 8.00 Smiley's People 9.05 Lead Balloon 9.35 More Dawn French's Boys Who Do Comedy 10.05 Film: Le Grand Voyage (2004) 11.45 More Dawn French's Boys Who Do Comedy 12.15 Soul Britannia 1.15 Soul Britannia 2.15 Soul Britannia 3.15 More Dawn French's Boys Who Do Comedy 3.45 Lead Balloon 4.10 Close
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9.25 Emmerdale 12.10 Coronation Street 2.15 Holiday Showdown 3.20 Holiday Airport: Cyprus 4.25 All Star Family Fortunes 5.10 The Planet's Funniest Animals 5.35 Movies Now 5.45 Streetmate 6.45 Australian Princess 7.45 The Planet's Funniest Animals 8.15 The Xtra Factor 9.00 Pop Stars: Gone Bad 9.30 Movies Now 9.45 The Xtra Factor Results 10.30 Film: The Flintstones (1994) 12.10 The X Factor 1.45 The X Factor – The Results 2.20 The Xtra Factor Results 3.05 Pop Stars: Gone Bad 3.35 Emmerdale
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6.00 Pythagoras 6.50 Film File 7.00 McCloud 8.30 Missing Persons 9.30 Agatha Christie's Poirot 10.30 Our New Life In Everwood 11.30 Our New Life In Everwood 12.30 The Memoirs Of Sherlock Holmes 1.35 Film: Hamlet (1991). 4.10 Agatha**Ross Kemp On Gangs, Sky One, 9.00pm****Christie's Poirot** 5.15 Pie In The Sky 6.20 The Two Ronnies 7.20 PD James: Cover Her Face 8.25 PD James: Cover Her Face 9.35 Taggart 11.40 McCloud 1.10 Sidney Sheldon's Windmills Of The Gods 2.05 Fitz 2.55 Fitz 3.35 Savage Planet 4.00 Teleshopping
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6.00 Close Up 6.10 Yes, Prime Minister 6.50 Yes, Prime Minister 7.30 2point4 Children 8.10 2point4 Children 8.50 2point4 Children 9.30 2point4 Children 10.10 Keeping Up Appearances 10.50 Last Of The Summer Wine 11.30 One Foot In The Grave 12.10 Only Fools And Horses 12.50 Only Fools And Horses 2.10 Film: Carry On Henry (1971). Sid James stars as Henry VII. Comedy, with Kenneth Williams and Terry Scott. 4.40 My Family 5.20 The Vicar Of Dibley 6.20 My Hero 7.00 My Hero 7.40 My Family 8.20 My Family 9.00 Film: Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls (1995). Crazy slapstick comedy sequel, with Jim Carrey reprising his role as the loudly dressed pet detective who travels to Africa in search of a sacred bat. With Simon Callow. 10.50 The Royle Family 11.40 Little Britain 12.15 The Royle Family 12.50 Film: Carry On Henry (1971) 2.30 2point4 Children 3.30 Close Up 3.40 Dallas 4.30 Close Up 4.40 Dallas 5.30 What A Carry On!

Sunday, November 11

BBC 1



Learners – Jessica Hynes and David Tennant star in the comedy

6.00 Breakfast 78655188 8.15 Match Of The Day (R) 1178411 9.30 The Andrew Marr Show 76237 10.30 Remembrance Sunday: The Cenotaph 14493508 12.10 The Politics Show. The week's events at Westminster with Jon Sopel. 3499343 1.10 EastEnders 67430121 3.10 Match Of The Day Live: The FA Cup. Torquay United v Yeovil Town (Kick-off 3.15pm). Coverage of the first-round encounter at Plainmoor, where the local rivals face each other for a place in the second-round draw. 99557817 5.35 Points Of View. Terry Wogan champions viewers' opinions on BBC programmes. 376614 5.50 Wilfred Owen: A Remembrance Tale. The story of World War One poet Wilfred Owen. 400362 6.50 Strictly Come Dancing. Featuring a guest performance by John Barrowman. 369530

7 PM

7.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather 659527

BBC 2



Top Gear – Jeremy Clarkson and the team race across London

6.00 CBeebies: Fimbles (R) 7764546 6.20 Teletubbies (R) 7768362 6.45 Step Inside (R) 5266411 7.00 CBBC: Jakers! (R) 721898 7.20 Pinky And The Brain (R) 5667362 7.45 Even Stevens (R) 6224966 8.05 The Basil Brush Show (R) 5393512 8.30 Smart 94188 9.30 Hedz (R) 28922 10.00 Something For The Weekend 81091 11.30 Countryfile 98140 12.30 Rugby League (R) 69459 1.30 Gymnastics 48633 3.00 Bowls: International Open. Live coverage of this afternoon's final at the Ponds Forge International Sports Centre in Sheffield, where Greg Harlow was crowned champion this time last year. 49984904 5.15 Storm Geese (R) 7668091 5.25 Songs Of Praise 1339237 6.00 The Nature Of Britain (R) 273430 6.50 Cenotaph Highlights 323169

8 PM

8.00 Antiques Roadshow. The team visit East Kirby Airfield, Lincolnshire where they examine more decorative objects and rarities. Plus, they share wartime memories with the visiting public in the shadow of a World War Two Lancaster bomber. Michael Aspel presents. 5527

9 PM

9.00 Learners. Bev has failed her driving test eight times and is desperate to pass. Attracted by a glamorous driving school owner she signs on with devout Christian Chris, but as driving gets easier, everything else in her life becomes much more complicated. David Tennant stars. 2620633

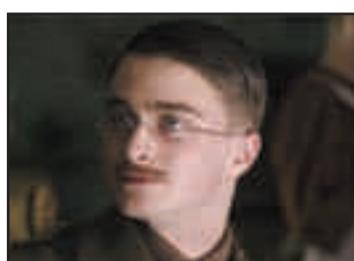
10 PM

10.20 BBC News; Weather 239546 10.40 Film: Green Card (1990). French musician Gerard Depardieu enters into an unlikely marriage of convenience with New Yorker Andie MacDowell to secure a new life in America. Peter Weir's likeable romantic comedy, also starring Bebe Neuwirth; Weatherview 75749782

11 PM

12.25 Celebrity Scissorhands. The battle of the crimpers continues as the nine famous faces brush up on their beauty skills under the tutelage of hairdresser Lee Stafford in aid of Children in Need. 1897725 1.25 Sign Zone: Watchdog. Investigation show, fighting for consumers' rights. With Nicky Campbell, Paul Heiney and Julia Bradbury. (R) 1642589 1.55 Sign Zone: Holby City. (R) 8987560 2.55 Sign Zone: The Nature Of Britain. (R) 9089015 3.45 BBC News 24 76427473

ITV1



My Boy Jack – Daniel Radcliffe stars as Rudyard Kipling's son

6.00 GMTV 7640633 9.25 The Sunday Edition 1529817 10.25 The Championship 9377053 11.25 CITV: Curious George (R) 9813527 11.40 Pocoyo 1946546 11.50 Jim Jam & Sunny 1935430 12.00 Jim Jam & Sunny 4058879 12.25 ITV News And Weather 2029546 12.30 London Today; Weather 98165966 12.35 Film: Problem Child (1990). Comedy, starring John Ritter. 9617985 2.00 The X Factor (R) 21035 3.30 The X Factor - The Results (R) 8816091 4.05 London Tonight; Weather 3691527 4.20 Film: Star Wars: Episode VI - Return Of The Jedi (1983). George Lucas's original Star Wars trilogy concludes, with the rebel friends making a last-ditch attempt to rid the galaxy of the Empire. Adventure, starring Harrison Ford and Mark Hamill. 32528343 6.45 ITV News And Weather 623817

7.50 Coast. Neil Oliver investigates how an optical telegraph from the 1800s was used to send messages between Holyhead to Liverpool in just a few minutes. 280546

7.00 Emmerdale. Perdy and Gray are excited as Katie goes ahead with the insemination procedure. 5986

7.30 Coronation Street. John tells Rosie it's too risky to keep seeing her, and Jodie washes her hands of Jerry by announcing she's moving to London to make her own life. 459

8.00 Heartbeat. New series. A gang of bikers wreak havoc in Aidenfield, prompting the locals to demand a new bobby. When he arrives he is not quite what they expected, with his tactics for crime fighting making his reception a mixed one between both residents and fellow police officers. 4445

9.00 Long Way Down. Ewan McGregor, Charley Boorman and the team continue their journey through northern Africa. The sweltering heat and rocky terrain push bikes and riders to the limits of their endurance, leading to an accident for one of the adventurers. 6633

9.00 My Boy Jack. Harry Potter actor Daniel Radcliffe stars in his first TV drama as Jack, the son of poet Rudyard Kipling who signed up for battle in the trenches of World War One and never returned home. His parents, played by David Haig - who has adapted his own play. 3782

SATELLITE AND FREEVIEW

CHANNEL 4



Wife Swap – Tracey Green in front of the Ramsey family

6.05 The Hoobs (R) 7749237 6.30 Transworld Sport 5195430 7.25 Racing Rivals. Behind the scenes of the 2007 British Touring Car Championship. 5651701 7.50 Freesports On 4 (R) 4582121 8.20 Adrenalin Rush 8078237 8.45 T4: The OC. Seth juggles the women in his life. (R) 658879 9.45 T4: Hollyoaks 28924817 12.15 T4: MobileAct Unsigned 936169 1.15 T4: MTV Europe Music Awards 2007 7709985 2.30 T4: Ugly Betty (R) 37184 3.30 T4: Smallville 72411 4.30 T4: The Simpsons (R) 512 5.00 T4: The Simpsons (R) 1072 5.30 Scrappheap Challenge. A team of police dog handlers from Newcastle take on West Country cabbies in the second semi-final. 37904 6.30 Not Forgotten. Ian Hislop discovers the impact World War One had on the class system in Britain. (R) 83695

7.30 Channel 4 News 701

7.00

Film: Police Story 2 (1988). Jackie Chan reprises his role as the energetic Hong Kong cop in this action comedy sequel. Despite his success at fighting crime, his unorthodox methods lead to him being demoted to traffic duty. Fast-paced but disappointing adventure. 4034985

8.00 Wife Swap. Liberal mother Chris and disciplinarian Tracey are in for the shock of their lives as they exchange families for a fortnight. The takeaway diet and habitual TV-watching are the last things on Tracey's mind when she learns that Chris and her husband are real life wife-swappers. 8237

9.00 Film: Mr & Mrs Smith (2005). Premiere. A couple struggle to keep their marriage interesting until they learn they have something in common. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie show off the on-screen chemistry which brought them together away from the cameras. 47972140

9.00 Film: Tightrope (1984). Thriller, starring Clint Eastwood as a seedy New Orleans detective who investigates a series of sexually motivated murders. Eastwood gives one of his best performances, while his daughter Alison provides support, alongside Genevieve Bujold and Dan Hedaya. 14900614

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8 Simple Rules – The American centered around family

6.00 Milkshake! 2461508 10.00 Hannah Montana 5099695 10.30 Hannah Montana 4191430 11.00 8 Simple Rules 2139898 11.30 Beyond The Break 2130527 12.00 Film: Buddy (1997). Bizarre drama, starring Rene Russo. 9911782 1.30 Football Italiano. Mark Chapman and Laura Esposto introduce live coverage of a match from Italy's Serie A. Inter face a tough task if they are to retain their title, with Juventus back in the top flight and AC Milan determined to build on last season's Champions League triumph. 44808430 4.20 Film: The Remains Of The Day (1993). Anthony Hopkins stars as a butler reflecting on his life and lost love in this emotive period drama. Emma Thompson, Hugh Grant and James Fox co-star. 83392966 6.45 Five News And Sport 7232169

SKY ONE

6.00 Hour Of Power 7.00 Oliver Beene 7.30 Oliver Beene 8.00 Are You Smarter Than A Ten Year Old? 9.00 Pop Years 10.00 Buffy The Vampire Slayer 11.00 WWE: Experience 12.00 Robot Wars Extreme 1.00 Brainiac's Test Tube Baby 2.00 Hidden Palms 3.00 Project Runway 4.00 Futurama 4.30 Cirque – Backstage At The Big Top 5.00 The Simpsons 5.30 The Simpsons 6.00 Are You Smarter Than A Ten Year Old? 7.00 The Simpsons 7.30 Cirque De Celebrite 9.00 Bones 10.00 Film: Internal Affairs (1990). Crime thriller, starring Richard Gere. 12.10 British Sex 1.10 Dom Joly's Happy Hour 2.10 America's Dumbest Criminals 2.40 Full Force Nature 3.30 Buffy The Vampire Slayer 4.20 Vroom Vroom 5.10 Guilty! BBC3 7.00 The Most Annoying Pop Songs We Hate To Love 7.45 Doctor Who Confidential 8.00 Don't Tell The Bride 9.00 Celebrity Scissorhands 10.00 Tittybangbang 10.30 Touch Me, I'm Karen Taylor 11.00 Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps 11.30 Two Pints Of Lager And A Packet Of Crisps 12.00 Celebrity Scissorhands 12.55 Don't Tell The Bride 1.55 Tittybangbang 2.25

Celebrity Scissorhands Uncut 4.40 Close BBC4

7.00 The Nature Of Britain: A User's Guide 8.00 What Did You Do In The Great War, Daddy? 9.00 Film: Life And Nothing But (1989). Premiere. Drama. 11.10 Edwardians In Colour: The Wonderful World Of Albert Kahn 12.10 Chelsea Pensioners: Once A Soldier 12.40 What Did You Do In The Great War, Daddy? 1.40 The Late Edition 2.10 The History Of The World Backwards 2.40 What Did You Do In The Great War, Daddy? 3.40 The Late Edition 4.40 Close ITV2 9.25 The Planet's Funniest Animals 9.40 The New Adventures Of Superman 10.35 The Kylie Show 11.35 All Star Family Fortunes 12.20 Emmerdale 3.10 Film: The Flintstones (1994). Comedy based on the cartoon, with John Goodman. Including Entertainment News Update. 4.50 Coronation Street 6.55 The X Factor 8.25 The X Factor – The Results 9.00 Katie & Peter: Unleashed 10.00 Secret Diary Of A Call Girl 10.30 Katy Brand's Big Ass Show 11.00 Coronation Street 11.30 The Black Donnellys 12.30 The X Factor 2.00 The X Factor – The Results 2.30 Katy Brand's Big Ass Show 3.00 Film: Undercover Brother

6.00 Savage Planet 6.25 Robin Of Sherwood 7.25 Pythagoras 8.20 Upstairs, Downstairs 9.30 Cribb 10.35 The Two Ronnies 11.35 Robin Of Sherwood 12.40 Inspector Morse 2.45 PD James: Cover Her Face 3.50 PD James: Cover Her Face 4.55 Robin Of Sherwood 6.00 The Two Ronnies 7.00 Andrea Bocelli – Under The Desert Sky 8.00 Great Garden Detectives 9.00 Film: The Birds (1963). Classic

Hitchcock thriller, starring Tippi Hedren.

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Dolls Present: The Search For The Next Doll 1.25 MobileAct Unsigned 2.25 Double Drama 2.50 Ghost Whisperer 3.35 Miss Match 4.15 Switched 5.45 Close MORE4 9.00 Time Team 10.00 Scrappheap Challenge 12.00 Scrappheap Challenge 1.05 Jamie At Home 3.15 Jamie At Home 4.20 Come Dine With Me 5.25 Come Dine With Me 6.25 Come Dine With Me 6.55 A Place In The Sun 8.00 Relocation, Relocation 9.00 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares 10.00 World Of Compulsive Hoarders 11.05 Father Ted 12.10 Studio 60 On The Sunset Strip 1.00 Curb Your Enthusiasm 1.30 Curb Your Enthusiasm 2.00 Close UKTV GOLD 6.00 Yes, Prime Minister 6.40 Yes, Prime Minister 7.20 My Hero 10.00 Open All Hours 10.40 Porridge 11.20 The Thin Blue Line 12.00 The Vicar Of Dibley 1.00 Only Fools And Horses 2.20 Film: Big (1988) 4.20 Only Fools And Horses 5.00 Only Fools And Horses 6.20 Only Fools And Horses 7.40 Only Fools And Horses 9.00 Dalziel & Pascoe 11.00 Porridge 11.40 Open All Hours 12.20 Little Britain 12.50 Little Britain 1.35 Film: Big (1988) 3.20 Close Up 3.30 Dalziel & Pascoe 5.00 Close Up 5.10 The New Adventures Of Old Christine 5.35 Neighbours



Secret Diary Of A Call Girl, ITV2, 10pm

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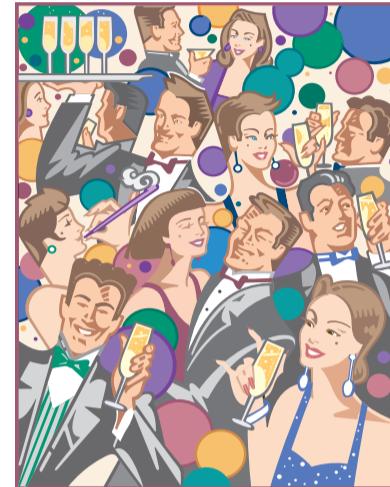
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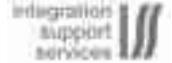
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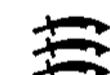
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Closing date: 21st November 2007

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Ref: T0025

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36 hours per week - term time only

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The ideal candidate will be both confident of their own understanding of the criteria for quality in learning support and in their ability to impart this understanding to support workers and tutors alike. An eye for detail, a desire for making things happen and a creative mind are all essential attributes.

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Communication Support Workers

Ref: T0018

Salary: £16,498 to £18,010 (plus 0.5% CPD allowance) pro-rata

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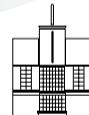
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SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 10

Football
Ryman League, prem div: East Thurrock Utd v Harlow Tn.

Essex Senior League: Barking v Sawbridgeworth Tn.

LFC Insurance Essex Olympian League, snr div one: Roydon v Herongate Ath, Springfield v Potter Street.

Essex Premier Cup, 2nd rnd: Metpol Chigwell v Epping.

Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League, Prem Div Cup 1st rnd: Debden res v Birchanger, Hatfield Heath v Loughton, Potter Street res v Quendon Ath.

Prem div: Alemite Ath v White Roding, Sheering v North Weald.

Div one: Avondale Rangers v North Weald res, Albury v Langley Rangers, Dunmow Rhodes v Hatfield Heath res, Frontiers v Sheering res, Heath Rovers v Potter Street A, Lower Street v Salvation Army.

Rugby
London & South East League, div three north east: Saffron Walden v Harlow.

Essex League: Upper Clapton v Dagenham.

Hockey
NE14 East Men's League, div four south east: Harlow v Saffron Walden II.

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 11

Football
Harlow & District League, div one: Altham Grove v Pollards, Harberts v Unique, Lindsey Street v New Town Rangers.

Div two: Atletico UG v Eastwick, Galaxy v Rouge Lyon res.

Div three: Maypole Sports v Harberts res, Risden Wood v A v Matching Utd.

Div four: Dynamo v Harberts OB, Sewardstone v FC Flare, Sharks v Langley Legends.

League Cup, 2nd round: Rhyno v Broadley Common, St Germaine v GPCA res, Brookside v Cottingham, Maypole Ath v GPCA, Harberts A v Abbey Albion, Eppaldo v Maypole Ath res, Stewards SP v Maiden, Rouge Lyon A v Epping Ath, Barnes v A&A, Pardon Royals v Pools, Rouge Lyon v Latton Orient.

ESSEX SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Up to & incl Sat Nov 3

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Enfield 1893	11	9	2	0	29
Barking	8	7	0	1	21
Barkingside	8	7	0	2	21
Bowers & Pitsea	9	7	0	2	21
Concord Rangers	9	6	0	3	18
Burnham Ramblers	10	5	2	3	17
Romford	8	5	1	2	16
Clapton	9	4	2	3	14
Eton Manor	7	3	2	2	11
Southend Manor	8	3	1	4	10
Stansted	9	3	1	5	10
Hullbridge Sports	8	2	1	5	7
Sawbridgeworth Tn	9	2	1	6	7
Beaumont Athletic	10	2	1	7	7
London APSA	8	1	2	5	5
Basildon Utd	9	1	1	7	4
Mauritius Sp & Penn	12	0	1	11	1

FOOTPRINT BISHOP'S STORTFORD, STANSTED & DISTRICT LEAGUE
Up to & incl Sat Nov 3

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Alemite Athletic	8	7	1	0	15
North Weald	7	6	0	1	12
Pelly House	8	6	0	2	12
Quendon Ath	10	4	2	4	10
Old Street	7	5	0	2	10
Loughton	9	4	2	3	10
White Roding	7	3	1	3	7
Hatfield Heath	8	3	0	5	6
Birchanger	6	2	0	4	4
Debden Res	7	1	2	4	4
Sheering	8	0	2	6	2
Potter Street Res	9	0	2	7	2

Division One

	P	W	D	L	Pt
North Weald Res	9	7	1	1	15
Sheering Res	9	6	1	2	13
Salvation Army (Harlow)	9	6	0	3	12
Potter Street A'	8	5	2	1	12
Heath Rovers	7	5	1	1	11
Langley Rangers	9	5	0	4	10
Thorley Park	5	4	1	0	9
Avondale Rangers	8	3	0	5	6
Thaxted Rangers Res	8	2	2	4	6
Lower Street	7	2	1	4	5
Dunmow Rhodes	9	1	2	6	4
Albury	8	1	2	5	4
Hatfield Heath Res	5	1	1	3	3
Frontiers	9	0	0	9	0

THE LFC INSURANCE GROUP ESSEX OLYMPIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Up to & incl Sat Nov 3

Senior Division One

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Potter Street	9	8	0	1	24
M & B Club	9	6	2	1	20
Rayleigh Town	9	4	3	2	15
Roydon	8	5	0	3	15
Ongar Town	7	4	2	1	14
Faces FC	8	4	0	4	12
Herongate Athletic	8	3	2	3	11
Sandon Royals	8	2	3	3	9
Old Chelmsfordians	6	2	3	1	9
Ryan FC	8	2	3	3	9
Stambridge Utd	9	1	2	6	5
Springfield	6	1	1	4	4
Leigh Ramblers	8	1	1	6	4
Leytonstone Utd	5	0	0	5	0

ESSEX COUNTY WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE
Up to & incl Sat Nov 3

Premier Division

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Harlow	6	5	1	0	16
Basildon	6	5	0	1	15
Chelmsford III	6	4	1	1	13
Wapping II	6	3	1	2	11
Southend & Benfleet	6	3	2	1	11
Haivering	6	3	0	3	9
Colchester II	6	2	1	3	7
Maldon & Lt Baddow	6	2	0	4	6
Crofton II	6	1	2	3	5
East London	6	1	1	4	4
Old Loughtonians III	6	1	1	4	4
Brentwood II	6	0	1	5	1

RUGBY
Up to & incl Sat Nov 3

Essex 1

	P	W	D	L	Pt
Maldon	5	5	0	0	10
Ilford Wanderers RFC	5	5	0	0	10
Billeray Tn	11	4	3	4	15
Carshalton Ath	13	4	3	6	15
Harlow Tn	13	3	5	14	25
Upper Clapton	5	2	1	2	5
Wanstead	5	1	1	3	3
Writtle Wanderers	5	1	1	3	3
Millwall	5	1	0	4	0
East London	5	0	0	5	0

Tommy's Aken to be the next Phil Taylor!

FIFTEEN-year-old Tommy Aken, playing only his second match for Swift Arrows, enjoyed a fantastic game scoring five 100s and two 140s in his pairs match against CC Whites.

But Tommy and his playing partner still lost their Harlow & District Darts League match as the team went down 6-2.

White Admiral slipped a further point behind GPCA

Langley seal kit deal

YOUNGSTERS from a Harlow-based youth football club have been boosted by a kit sponsorship deal.

Langley Colts, which runs teams for 200 youngsters from U-6 to U-14 level, have been given wet weather training tops by Allied Recruitment.

The club already has sponsorship from its main backer, McDonalds, whose support includes shirts and man-of-the-match awards. Carl Whay, the club chairman, said: "It helps to keep our signing-on fees down and it is much appreciated. Youth teams need this kind of backing."

On the pitch, FC

PARINGDON suffered a 2-1

defeat at Waltham Abbey

in the U-10 silver division

of the *Harlow Star* Youth



LANGLEY COLTS

Community League.

PARINGDON battled on despite losing four players to a sickness bug, while outfield player Ryan Burgess has to fill in between the sticks as regular keeper Matt Wright was injured.

Cup final repeat as Rangers pick up first victory

THERE was a repeat of last season's Division Two Cup final on Sunday when New Town Rangers once again dispatched Altham Grove, this time with a 3-2 victory.

In the process they picked up their first points of the season in division one of the Harlow & District League.

Risden Wood closed the gap at the top with a 3-2 victory over Maypole Athletic.

In division two, Pools and FC Parkside maintained their unbeaten runs with a 6-2 win over Atletico UG and a 4-2 defeat of Barnes Athletic respectively.

The teams are now nine points clear at the top.

A&A picked up their first points of the season with a 7-0 demolition of Eastwick.

In division three, Brookside overcome Latton Orient 5-1 despite conceding early.

Simon Williams tucked in from the penalty spot to level the scores before Latton hit the cross bar.

An error from the Latton keeper allowed Williams to score his second.

Second-half strikes from Barron and Cross (2) secured the points for Brookside.

Risden Wood A continued their unbeaten run with a cracking 6-2 win over UG United, while Maypole Sports and Matching drew 2-2 and Maiden beat St Germaine 6-1.

In division four, Dynamo kept up their unbeaten run and ended Broadley Common's with a convincing 6-3 success despite starting with just 9 MEN.

Drayton opened the scoring for Dynamo but Broadley stormed back to open up a 3-1 lead.

Drayton soon pulled one back before Gordon missed a penalty.

He later made amends when he made it 3-3, while Melville-Taylor and Boland went close before Drayton hit a hat-trick in the final nine minutes to finish with five goals.

FC Flare destroyed Ashfield 15-0 while FC Clark condemned Cottenham to a sixth defeat with close 3-2 triumph.

In division five, Epping Athletic are top after an excellent 3-2 win despite being behind at half-time against Eppalod.

Goals from Connolly, Taylor, Best, Hawkins and Birkett gave Matching reserves a battling 5-2 win over visiting Harberts A. Other results:- Essex Premier Cup 2nd rnd: Parndon Royals 1, Debden Sports C 3; Heath Park 3, Old Tn 0; Rouge Lyon 4, RE Social 2; Marquis Sports 2, Social Club Kelvedon 1; Bayern Monwick 4, Maypole Ath 2. Div 1: Old Townmead 1, Harberts 5. Div 4: Sharks 3, Sewardstone 3. Div 5: Altham Grove res 4, Rouge Lyon A 3; Archers Dart 2, Brookside res 0.

No luck for teams in Essex Junior Cup

COUNTY cup competitions proved a thorn in the side of many Footprint Bishop's Stortford, Stansted & District League senior teams at the weekend.

Only one out of four went through in the Essex Junior Cup.

There were first-round defeats for Potter Street reserves (4-1 at home to Takeley reserves), North Weald (a 3-1 loss at Hutton) and Hatfield Heath (4-2 at home to Scotia Billericay).

The only triumph came from Alemite Athletic, who won 12-1 at home to Herongate Athletic. Scorers included Scott Lucking (4), Lewis Eaglestone (3), Gavin Cochran, Simon Hewitt and Paul Munn.

There was better news in the Essex Junior Trophy first round where Sheering reserves won 2-0 at home to Stock United thanks to a brace from Matt Wright.

Potter Street A won 6-1 at home to Ford United, while hosts Hatfield Heath reserves beat Harold Wood Athletic 5-3.

Other results:- Essex Junior Trophy 1st rnd - Raleigh 2, North Weald res 1 (Daniel Matthews). Prem div - Debden res 2, Loughton 6; Old Street 2 (J. Blackerby, P. Casey), Pelly House 1; White Roding 1, Quendon Ath 0.

Div one - Dunmow Rhodes 1, Albury 1 (Taylor); Langley Rangers 2 (OG, James Cutler), Frontiers 0; Lower Street 1 (Ross Gurden), Thaxted Rangers res 1; Salvation Army 2 (Liam Mitchell, Nathan Blake), Heath Rovers 3 (Joe Rudkin, Scott Foster, Martin Foster).

Hero to zero as goalscoring keeper is sent off

IT was the best of times and the worst of times for EPPING keeper Luke Kingston as his 10-man side drew 1-1 at home to Canning Town in the senior premier division of the LFC Insurance Olympian Football League.

Kingston made many fine saves before SCORING the hosts' equaliser on 70 minutes when he ran up the pitch to grab the ball and take a penalty which he converted.

The spot-kick had been awarded for

a foul on Alex Talks.

Then Kingston turned from hero to zero as he was sent off for foul language on 75 minutes after the assistant referee awarded a corner to the visitors.

Epping's keeper believed the flag kick should not have been given as he felt he had not taken the ball out of play in making a save.

Midfielder Sean Garwood went in goal and he made two saves to secure a

point for Epping, who had come into Saturday's match on the back of five successive defeats.

Canning had gone ahead on 25 minutes. A home clearance was headed down the pitch by the visitors' centre-half and Ricky de Freitas latched onto the loose ball before firing past Kingston, who had earlier made several last-ditch saves.

Mark Wells, Epping's boss, said:

"We finished the stronger side but were thankful to take a much-needed point. Never have I seen a goalkeeper play such an active part in all aspects of the game."

Meanwhile, a Mark Pearcey goal gave senior division one table-toppers POTTER STREET a 1-0 victory at Rayleigh Town.

In the same division, a Gary Thomas goal was not enough for ROYDON (Mike Daniel 2, Reigan Panzu).

Reserves hit seven goals

HARLOW TOWN reserves turned on the style as they won 7-2 at Ware reserves in the Capital League.

Ware went ahead through a 20th-minute chip from Marshall Smith, but Dean Williams made it 1-1 on the half-hour mark, before Danny Green netted on 39 minutes.

New signing Hector Mackie fired in Harlow's third goal on 57 minutes, shortly before Hawks keeper Michael Dumoulin went off with a leg injury.

Further goals from Shaun Gliddon, Green, Williams and Joe Watson completed the rout.

Scott Nielson bagged Ware's other goal.

Solid debuts in try feast

HARLOW Ladies put in a solid display to beat Chelmsford Ladies 32-0 in a friendly at home.

Sunday's win was also marked by good performances from debutants Claire Lacey and Amy Kent.

Keighley Diprose and Becky Hodges ran in the first two tries both from long breaks before Hodges completed a brace before the break.

Nicky King score both of Harlow's next two tries, the second coming from a 50-yard run before Rebecca Conway converted.

Conway then scored the last try from a good solo break.

Judy's New York quest

HARLOW Running Club member Judy Lodge ran the New York Marathon - but did not quite manage to beat women's winner Paula Radcliffe!

She completed the race in 4hrs 53mins and 48secs.

Ron Newton completed the race in America in 4:16.48.

In the Great South Run (10 miles), Matt Jones clocked 1:34.44.

David Ayling completed the Dublin Marathon in a time of 3:35.49.

In the Hatfield 10K, new Harlow members Karen Phillips and Sean Fowler crossed the line together in 1:04.50.

Rookie goalie's heroics undone

Redbridge 2, Harlow Tn 1

(Fans Focus.Com Essex Senior Cup, third round)

LOWER league opposition again proved to be the Hawks' undoing as they were knocked out of the Fans Focus.Com Essex Senior Cup by Ryman division one north club Redbridge.

Saturday's defeat against a side managed by ex-Wimbledon player Dean Holdsworth, followed losses against another Ryman division one north club, Brentwood Town, in both the FA Cup and FA Trophy competitions this season.

Redbridge's winner came in the third minute of extra-time when an excellent strike from Lee Townrow defeated stand-in keeper Michael Gliddon, who usually plays in either midfield or defence.

Gliddon made some fine saves during the tie after he had donned the gloves as Michael Dumoulin was ruled out with a leg injury. James Hasell is still unavailable.

Hawks player-boss Ryan Kirby praised Gliddon, saying: "Michael was down afterwards but I told him not to be. Their winner was a fantastic strike. Michael did very well and I



FILLING IN: Michael Gliddon

could not have expected anything more."

Kirby stressed that his side needed to have been more direct in their approach.

He added: "Dean Holdsworth has introduced the 'Crazy Gang' mentality. They

did not muck about and they were very effective at set-pieces. It was a difficult pitch and we took one touch too many in our half. We needed to clear it first time."

The visitors, who gave a first start to Leyton Orient

youth team striker Raphael Silvestre, almost went ahead on eight minutes when Kevin Warren's header was cleared off the home line by Frank Curley.

Earlier, Gliddon had shown his keeping prowess with a brave save at the feet of Nick Symons after two minutes.

Redbridge went ahead on nine minutes when Aaron Gayle tapped in David Collins' cross from the left.

Harlow's equaliser on 32 minutes was well worked, Kenny Davis crossed to James Bunn, whose clever shot on the turn went over home keeper Tony Tucker and into the net.

Just before the break, Bunn nodded just over the home bar and Townrow fired over.

On 86 minutes Gliddon did well to hold a Collins free-kick. This came eight minutes after David Lee's low drive forced the Redbridge keeper to make a good save.

On 90 minutes, Leon Lalite forced Tucker to make another top save from his shot.

Just as extra-time and the possibility of a replay loomed, former Hawks trialist and Bishop's Stortford striker Leon Antoine set up Townrow to end Harlow's dreams of an Essex Senior Cup run.

HARLOW TN: M. Gliddon, Davis (Akers 60), Warren, Miles, Kirby, Hollenbach (Chapman 31), Lalite, Watson (Taylor 72), Bunn, Lee, Silvestre. Subs not used: Williams, S. Gliddon.

Robins boss to tackle red card shame

Sawbridgeworth Tn 1, Burnham Ramblers 2

(Essex Senior League)

RICHARD Branchflower is determined that the Robins improve their poor disciplinary record after his 10-man team lost at home to Burnham Ramblers.

Skipper and centre-half Richard Longley was the man dismissed on 45 minutes.

It was his second red card this term and Sawbridgeworth Town's FIFTH sending off already this campaign.

Longley retaliated when Jack Callow fouled him just before the break on Saturday. Callow was booked.

Branchflower said: "Richard raised his hands but I wish the referee had awarded a yellow

card to Callow] immediately and it would have not have gone any further.

"Richard is a fiery character but I want him to channel it in a different way. I will not be fining players but will be bringing in a disciplinary system."

Striker Kevin Moore and midfielder Paul Hammick were unavailable as their pregnant wives were due to give birth.

Striker Ashley Conlan made his Sawbo debut. He has joined former Epping teammates Jim Ellice and Phil Bulled at Crofters End and Branchflower said: "I was

very pleased with how he did. He is very fit and good on the ball."

Burnham went ahead on 11



OFF: Richard Longley

minutes when Paul Carr turned his marker and scored from eight yards.

Sawbridgeworth equalised

seven minutes later with an excellent 35-yard free-kick from Dan Hudson.

The visitors went ahead on 58 minutes. Dan Crook was deceived by a bad bounce and Jones seized possession before crossing for Callow to score from close range.

The Robins created a few chances and were denied a point when Jordan Childs shot straight at visitors' keeper Dave McCartney on 75 minutes.

Branchflower added: "I was very disappointed. We played some fantastic stuff in the second half and did very well with 10."

SAWBRIDGEWORTH TN: Demosthenes, Bulled (Coggin 34), Crook, Day, Longley, Baker, Ellice, Conlan, Hughes (Simmons 77), Hudson (Smith 88), Childs.

Division's top two sides play out 3-3 thriller

Harlow 3, Havering II 3

(NE14 East Men's Hockey, div four south east)

THE top two teams in the division played out a draw at Passmores School on Saturday.

The result allowed Maldon & Little Baddow to go top as they won 4-0 at home to Redbridge & Ilford.

The point was perhaps celebrated slightly more in the Harlow camp as they were 3-1 down at half-time.

Harvering started the game strongly and were on top from the first whistle. Some strict decision making from the visitors' umpire led to a number of penalty corners for the Havering team.

And it was from one of these early corners that Havering took the lead. Harlow keeper Rich Norris had no chance when a slick move resulted in a close-range shot going in.

However, good work from the midfield, in particular man-of-the-match Justin Hayward, slowly brought Harlow back into the game.

The hosts equalised midway through the first period when a breakaway by Steve White down the right flank led to Chris Shearman-Slack accurately firing home from the top of the 'D'.

Havering had the best chances in the remainder of the first half. Their movement troubled Harlow time and again and they struck twice more before the break.

The half-time team talk seemed to do the trick as Harlow then took control.

Jordan Torville and Steve Jones started to dominate the Havering forwards, allowing Shearman-Slack to attack more freely.

It was a Shearman-Slack run and shot that led to Harlow's second goal; Rob Chandler expertly deflecting the shot past the helpless Havering keeper.

Harlow continued to press and eventually found the equaliser with a quite stunning goal. A penalty corner was saved by the Havering keeper but Harlow skipper White unleashed a reverse stick shot at the top of the 'D' from the rebound which flew into the top corner.

The hosts suffered a blow when Mike Prodger was sin-binned.

However, some fine saves by Norris ensured that Harlow gained a point.

HARLOW: Norris, Jones, Prodger, Torville, Plumridge, Chandler, Symmonds, Krzoska, Hayward, Shearman-Slack, White.

Clapton's good run shattered by defeat

Old Brentwoods 40, Upper Clapton 19

(RFU Essex League, division one)

THE recent resurgence of Upper Clapton came to an end with a big defeat at Old Brentwoods.

Clapton's general display was in marked contrast to the start when they went ahead in the first minute. Jake Philips intercepted a home pass, setting off a move which ended with Dan Smith bundling over for a try he converted.

However, poor defence from Clapton let a home wing and centre score two tries on six and 30 minutes. Both were converted.

Late first-half action saw Clapton concede two more tries. Lock Cliff Fearne fumbled and a Brentwood centre picked up to score before the same player scored again after a series of missed tackles.

The conversion was kicked and Brentwoods led 26-7 at the break.

Clapton reduced the deficit on 49 minutes. Adam Peermamode stole a home line-out in the Brentwood 22 and the ball went through three Clapton players before Tim Philips beat two tackles to score a try Smith converted.

The hosts scored a controversial try on 63 minutes. Clapton waited for a penalty to be given but the ball was passed out and a home player touched down for a converted try.

Clapton's number eight Dean Kemp was yellow carded for non-release, before the visitors conceded a converted try scored after a penalty was brought forward for dissent.

Shortly before the end, Clapton's Adam Ayres scored a try after being set up by Lee Garwood from a penalty.

UPPER CLAPTON: Roberts, Smith (Prince), T. Philips, Joe Philips, Sweeny, Jake Philips, Garwood, Coker, Ayres, Johnston (Hunt), Peermamode, Fearne, Kavanagh (Baldwin), Linsdale, Kemp.

Stalemate spells end of 100% record

Harlow 1, Southend & Benfleet 1

(Essex Women's Hockey League, premier division)

LIEZEL Hansson's Harlow Ladies side might still remain top of the premier division, but their proud 100 per cent record was shattered by a last-gasp goal against Southend & Benfleet on Saturday. The hosts conceded the winner in the very last play of a thrilling encounter.

After scoring an early goal through Carolyn Rushton just minutes into the match, the home side thought it was business as usual as they forced a series of short corners through Charlotte Byers and Jess Green. Taking advantage of one of the set plays, Rushton was able to coolly slot past the Benfleet keeper for her seventh goal of the season.

Harlow, however, were made to pay for not



ON TARGET:
Harlow scorer Carolyn Rushton holds off a Southend player at Passmores on Saturday
(Photo: Steve Weemes VSND2FDG05)

converting more of their early pressure as the visitors forced themselves into the match with Linda Rowley, deputising in goal, forced to make vital saves for the Passmores side before the half-time whistle.

The second half became a scrappy affair with Harlow unable to get their short passing game flowing.

Benfleet, however, were able to increase the pressure and began to dominate the midfield battle with the clock ticking down.

When a short corner was awarded in the dying seconds of the match it seemed Benfleet's only hope of rescuing a point from the tie and convert it they did with an unstoppable shot from the top of the circle.

HARLOW: (squad): Rowley, Shearman-Slack, Hansson, Trimble, Rushton, Steenkamp, Byers, Amos, Tweddle, Donaghey, Hawes, Jess Green.

Scrum-half scores hat-trick

DAN Hockley showed his quality as he scored a hat-trick of tries when Harlow Colts beat Ipswich 31-17 at home on Sunday.

Slick attacking play from a line-out and a scrummage saw the hosts score their first two tries through scrum-half Hockley.

Barney Goodey converted both, but the Suffolk side scored an unconverted breakaway try to reduce Harlow's lead to nine points (14-5) at the interval.

After the break, Harlow went further ahead when a neat move ended with Ricky Ford scoring an unconverted try.

Ipswich came back with two tries and one was converted to leave them trailing 19-17.

Hockley got his third try when he scored out wide following a cross kick from Goodey, who kicked the conversion.

Jack Elston scored Rams' fifth try after a quick break.

A weakened Harlow U-17's lost 36-0 at Essex champions Westcliff.

Harlow could have gone ahead after two minutes but Lewis Alderman's 30m penalty attempt drifted wide.

The hosts went on to score four first-half tries. Two were converted, putting Westcliff 24-0 ahead at the break.

Joe Heaney came close to scoring for the Rams after the break before Westcliff scored two interception tries. One was converted.

Harlow U-13's came back from 15-0 down to win 19-15 at Colchester.

The visitors conceded three unconverted tries in the first half.

Harlow's fightback started after the break as captain Vinnie Hunter wriggled through to score a try converted by Sonny Handscombe.

The visitors underlined their week-by-week improvement as they scored two more tries though Josh Davies and Lewis Brown to clinch a well-deserved win.

Handscombe kicked one more conversion.

Mark of respect after huge win

Harlow 45, Chelmsford 7

(RFU London & South East League, division three north east)

RAMS skipper Nick Ford paid a generous tribute to the team's departing open side flanker Mark Pickett.

Pickett played his last game for Harlow when they beat Chelmsford convincingly at home on Saturday. He is leaving this country on Monday to work as a geologist in Australia.

The 29-year-old had been a key figure of the Harlow pack since the start of the 2005-06 season after coming back to the club following his studies at Cambourne School of Mines in Exeter, Devon. He had previously played for Harlow's junior sides.

Ford said: "He has been consistently our best player over the last two years and he will be sorely missed.

"He has fantastic passion and commitment and he puts his head in where others would be afraid to. It was good we won well [in his last game]."

Harlow, playing up the slope, started promisingly and went ahead on 15 minutes.

A driving maul and two good attacks by the backs had been well blocked before Ford got his running angle just right and scored close to the posts.

He converted and the hosts led 7-0.

Shortly before the break, a hurried pass by Rams outside



ON THE MOVE: Rams flanker Mark Pickett, centre, seen here making a tackle earlier in the season, played his last game for Harlow on Saturday

centre Josh Bohl was intercepted by a Chelmsford centre and he ran 40 yards to score a try which was converted.

Most of the play was in the Chelmsford half after the break and Harlow regained the lead on 55 minutes.

Rams full-back James McFerran came into the attack and burst through the defence on the outside to touch down. Ford kicked the second conversion for a 31-7 lead.

The hosts pushed on and McFerran burst through to complete his hat-trick of tries.

to score an unconverted try.

The Rams turned on the style as they scored four tries between the hour mark and 75th minute.

McFerran burst through on the overlap to score, before Ben Jarvis came in at a perfect angle to split the defending centres and touch down near the posts. Ford kicked the second conversion for a 31-7 lead.

The hosts pushed on and McFerran burst through to complete his hat-trick of tries.

Ford converted as he did after winger Simon Vanbeck cut inside a defender to touch down for another excellent try.

The skipper added: "We have a habit of taking time to wear sides out. We played some outstanding rugby in the second half when we got quick ball to the backs."

HARLOW: McFerran, Vanbeck, Bohl, Jarvis, Grimley (Stanley 60), Ford, Harron, Prindiville (Eynon 55), Romaine, Brown, Snow, Ephgrave, Pope (Wilkins 60), Pickett, Claridge.

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Mark of respect after win

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Love the new strip, ladies

PLAYERS from Tegate Netball Club got their kits off to raise money for the British Heart Foundation (BHF).

Girls aged between 17 and 33 from the Harlow club have produced the Calendar Girls style calendar with the aim of raising money to allow the club to continue to represent Essex in the East England Regional League, but also to recognise the work of the BHF.

Tegate chose the BHF as its charity because the club's founder and coach, Carol Bull, lost her husband Chris to heart disease three years ago.

Clare Bull, captain of the Tegate Kestrels and Carol's daughter, said: "We decided to try a calendar because we thought it would be a fun way to raise some money and a bit daring too!"

"My dad would have found it hilarious, so it's a perfect way to donate to the charity that could help other families all around the UK."

The BHF needs to spend £190 every two minutes of every day on life-saving heart research. This is because every two minutes someone has a heart attack.

Tegate run 18 teams, playing in either the Harlow Netball League, the Chelmsford & District Netball League or the East England Regional League.

• THE calendars, which cost £7.50, are available from November 15. Email Chrissie Jamieson at Christine_ford_1974@hotmail.com for a copy or pop into The Crown pub in Market Street, Old Harlow, where they are available.



STRIPPING OFF: The Tegate Netball Club players who have produced a calendar for the British Heart Foundation

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Kirby's loan dilemma

IN DOUBT:
Keeper Michael Dumoulin missed Saturday's match with a leg injury and is doubtful for this weekend



RYAN Kirby faces a dilemma over whether to bring in a loan keeper on standby for the Hawks' Ryman premier division match at East Thurrock United his Saturday, writes DAVID RIMMER.

Number one keeper James Hasell has only just started light training after recovering from a thumb fracture sustained in a pre-season friendly against Bishop's Stortford, while there is a question mark surrounding the fitness of number two Michael Dumoulin.

Dumoulin was ruled out of Saturday's Fans Focus.com Essex Senior Cup defeat at Redbridge after sustaining a leg injury in the Capital League game against Ware two days earlier.

David Hogan has returned to Dagenham so Kirby had to turn to out-field player Michael Gliddon, who has played in goal before, against Redbridge (see page 54 for match report).

Dumoulin was expected to play in last night's reserves

game against Enfield Town in the Capital League, but any reaction could leave Kirby without a keeper again.

The player-boss told *Star Sport*: "If I go for a loan player and Michael [Dumoulin] is fit, that loan player will be wasted. We will have to see how Michael goes in training."

Gliddon could don the gloves again. He performed capably as a stand-in at Redbridge having played in that position in youth football.

Harlow's elimination from the Essex Senior Cup has left them in the position of having to concentrate on the league, and they desperately need a result to kick start a flagging campaign after going 11 games without a win.

After enjoying three consecutive victories in September, their form has dipped and they have only picked up three points from the last six games.

They lie 17th, just two points ahead of the bottom-placed team Leyton.

Kirby said: "We are going through a difficult patch results wise but I think we will come through it as a stronger side."

"Even before [last] Saturday's game I was telling the players about having to focus for this Saturday. We need to get a win and get some momentum."

He added: "We have to learn to adapt to different games and different situations."

